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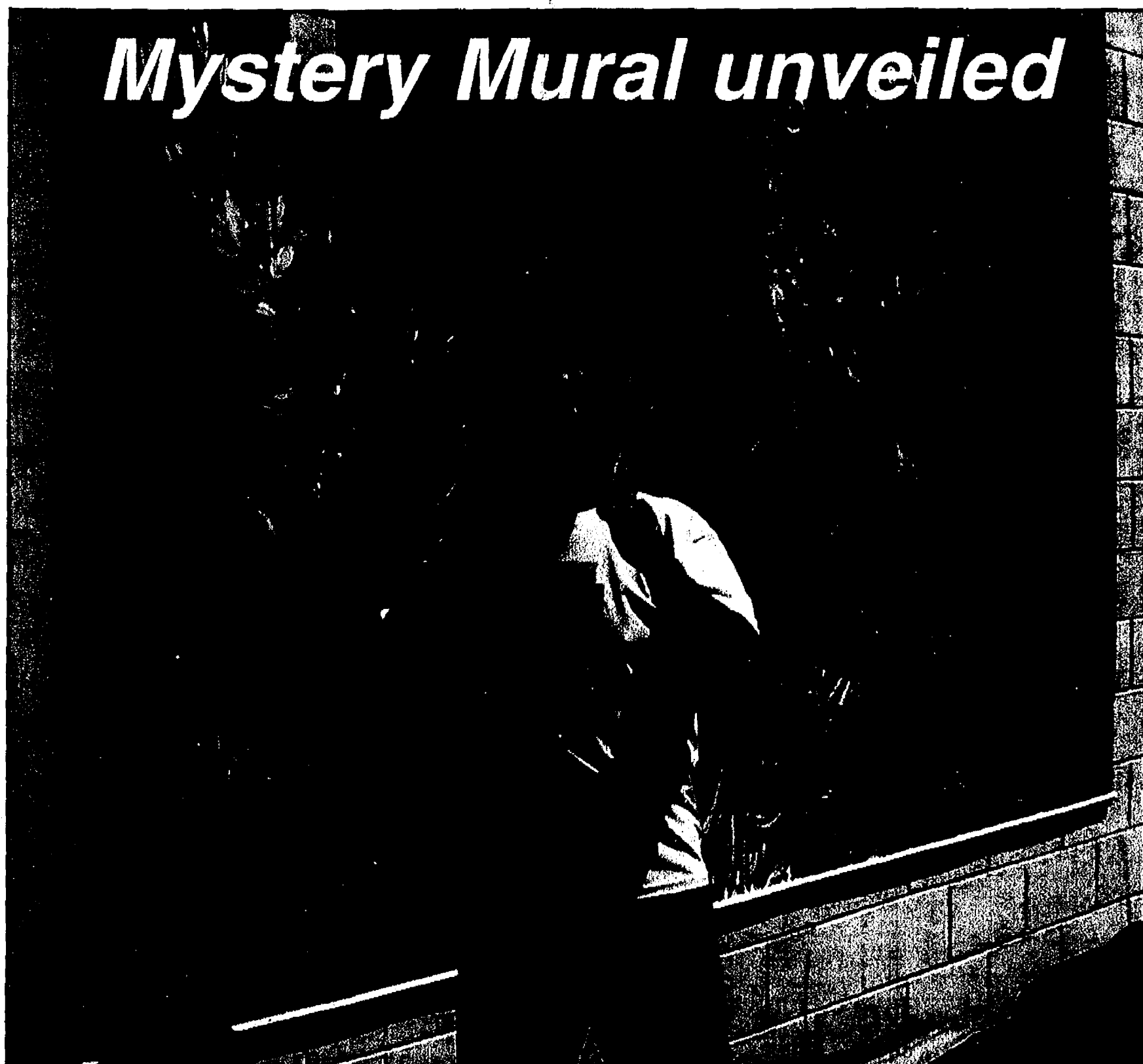


Photo by Dan Sanderson
The Watershed Art Project unveiled its Mystery Mural, which depicts a Kirtland's warbler singing in a jack pine and is located on the outside wall of Radio Shack Sights and Sounds, in downtown Grayling on Saturday. The project was coordinated by muralist Terry Dickinson and Grayling wildlife artist Kim Diment. The Mystery Mural consists of 108 panels that, when assembled, create the 9' by 12' mural which was painted by 108 area amateur and student artists. Above, Dickinson points to a plaque that identifies the artists who created each square of the mural.

State sets firm deadlines for theme park land sale

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The chief for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) approved an agreement for the sale of land for a huge theme park planned south of Grayling, contingent on critical deadlines set by state officials being met.

DNR Director Rebecca Humphries approved a memorandum, which established the sale requirements for 1,800 acres of state land, located east of I-75 and north of Four Mile Road, at the Natural Resources Commission's (NRC) meeting held on Thursday, Aug. 14, in Lansing.

Patrick Crosson, a project manager for Axiom Entertainment, has proposed to build the Mainstreet America Inc. theme park on the property. Developers are proposing that the park would include roller coasters, a race track, a water park, the world's tallest Christmas tree and Ferris wheel, a World War II aircraft carrier and an area where Christmas is celebrated all year long. They said it would create 2,000 jobs, 700 of which would be full-time positions, and would have an annual payroll of \$25 million.

The sale of the land was approved providing that Crosson can demonstrate that he has \$168 million, for the entire theme park and related developments and amenities, within six months. The Michigan Economic Development Corporation and an independent third-party will verify the financing. If financing is not obtained by Feb. 5, 2009, the theme park project will be denied and the project will be considered terminated.

The sale is also contingent upon deeds for all phases of the property being in place and the purchase amount for the land being held in escrow released in accordance with a four-phase development plan with the state.

The DNR gave Crosson until Nov. 16, 2009, to secure all state, federal and environmental permits for the project. Construction cannot start until all permits are obtained.

An initial 640 acres, which represents the main portion of the theme park, would be sold by the state first. Developers would have until Nov. 16, 2010, to have the majority of construction for the main theme park infrastructure and amenities completed.

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Police seize pounds of pot in searches

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies prevented nearly four pounds of marijuana from going out on the streets as the result of a pair of drug busts.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said that at 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 11, detectives from the Strike Team Investigative Narcotics Group (STING) and deputies from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office served a search warrant to a residence in the City of Grayling.

Officers were acting on an anonymous tip that a shipment of marijuana had recently arrived in Grayling. Officers developed additional information and were able to secure a search warrant for the residence.

Seized in the search was approximately 3/4 of a pound of marijuana and eight long guns.

The investigation is ongoing and arrest warrants will be sought for multiple individuals.

On Sunday, Aug. 17, Wakefield said that STING Continued on Page 11A
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Teen organizes softball tournament to help family

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Summer break has been typically busy for Grayling teenager Kristina Comer, playing on the Grayling Little League girls softball team, camping at Kneff Lake, singing at the flag raising ceremony for the community's Fourth of July parade, taking in a Renaissance Fair and the musical Wicked in Lansing.

But, when Comer learned that a family friend was facing another battle with cancer, she decided it was time to play ball.

Comer, age 13, who is going into the eighth grade at Grayling Middle School, is spearheading and organizing a benefit softball tournament that will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 23 and 24, at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area.

Funds raised from the softball tournament will go to support the Benardo family in their continuing battle against cancer.

Patricia Benardo is currently being treated for a third round of breast cancer.

Kristina is the daughter of Andrea and David Comer. The Continued on Page 8A
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City accepts police chief's resignation

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The City of Grayling's chief law enforcement officer is stepping down from his position after 31 years of serving the community.

The Grayling City Council approved the resignation of City Police Chief Karl Schreiner at its regular monthly meeting last week.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer said that the council approved an early retirement plan that allows Schreiner to leave the department.

Schreiner was appointed to serve as the police chief in 2000, following the retirement of the late Police Chief Peter Stephan, who served as a city police officer for 42 years and as chief for 27 years.

Schreiner has an overall 31 years serving the community as a police officer. He said he plans to leave the department quietly when his resignation becomes effective Sept. 12. He plans to stay in the community Continued on Page 8A
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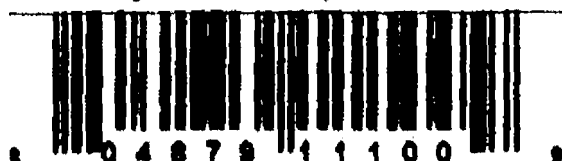
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City changes scheduling to accommodate winter burials

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling City officials are going to change their practice regarding winter burials in an attempt to decrease the emotional toll on families who have lost loved ones.

Terrie L. Lockwood, the funeral director and co-owner of Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home Inc., requested that the city look into offering winter burials at the Elmwood Cemetery. The change was sought since the bodies of loved ones have to be stored in the cemetery's mausoleum while city employees are not digging grave sites for burials in the winter months.

For the last winter season, Grayling City Manager David Thayer said 29 bodies were stored in the Elmwood Cemetery's mausoleum awaiting burial. That is about double the average over the last seven years, when 16 bodies were kept in the mausoleum waiting for a break in the weather.

The funeral home assumes lia-

bility for the bodies which are kept in the mausoleum, Thayer said.

Lockwood said she was seeking to have the winter burials because it tugs on the heartstrings of families having to wait for a burial.

"It's too emotional to have to go through it twice," she said. "They have the funeral and then anywhere from three to five months later, they have to go through it again for the burial."

Lockwood said she contacted officials in Mio, Fairview, Roscommon and Houghton Lake, where they do winter burials. She said that she also surveyed families, who have had funeral services during the past winter season, and a majority indicated that they would pay the extra expenses for a winter burial.

"I felt that it was important to stand up on behalf of the families that we serve," Lockwood said.

In the past, the city has suspended digging graves on Nov. 1, and did not pick up the practice again until near the end of April.

Thayer said the city would continue to dig graves up until mid-December, until Department of Public Works (DPW) can't do it anymore, and start digging graves again early in April. Accommodations will be made for winter burials in rare occasions, Thayer said.

Thayer said it would cost the city about \$20,000 to purchase the necessary snow removal equipment to conduct winter burials, including a \$6,000 piece of equipment used to remove the frost from the ground for digging. City DPW workers would also have to be pulled away from removing snow from city streets and sidewalks to dig the graves.

Thayer added that the increased time to dig the graves would delay a family's funeral services by two to three days.

Thayer said the city would try the new winter burial schedule for a year, then determine if any changes need to be made.

In addition, a security camera and alarm will be placed in the cemetery mausoleum, and the structure will also be fortified to prevent tampering with the building and the bodies kept in the mausoleum.

"We will do what we can to minimize the liability and risk there," Thayer said.

Chamber planning next move following resignations

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce lost three key leaders last week.

Lanice Rutter, a past chairwoman for the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, submitted a letter of resignation which was approved by the other board members at a meeting last Wednesday.

At the end of the same meeting, Jeddy Hood, who was serving as chairwoman of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, also resigned from the board.

Mark Gurnow, the general manager for Forest Dunes, was vice chairperson for the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, and is now the chairman of the board.

Gurnow said that Rutter's resignation was anticipated, since she is nearing the end of her term on the Chamber board, but Hood's resignation was unexpected.

"She was ready to step down," Gurnow said of Rutter. "The two resignations were not related in anyway."

Hood said that following the AuSable River Festival, the largest undertaking of the year for the Chamber, she did not believe that there was support for the Chamber's leadership among the board.

"I stepped aside and let somebody else take over," Hood said.

Gurnow said he empathized with the position that Hood has taken.

"With all the challenges the Chamber faces, it's just become a lot," he said. "When you have a volunteer organization, there comes a point where you run

out of gas and you hit the wall."

Following the Chamber's Wednesday board meeting, Kim Millikin, the Chamber's interim executive director, tendered her letter of resignation on Thursday.

Millikin, a former Chamber board member, was filling in the place of former Chamber Director Tim Zigala. Zigala was laid off last year, after serving eight years with the Chamber, due to budget issues.

Gurnow said that the Chamber board appreciates the job that Millikin has done for the organization.

"She managed to move things forward to the point where we were not only surviving, but she was doing a great job," Gurnow said. "She was a little bit tired of fighting the fight."

Gurnow said that he looks for Millikin to still be involved in Chamber functions.

"We know that she will still be involved, will still be around and supporting all the things that the Chamber does," he said.

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Board was scheduled to meet on Tuesday to decide how to fill the board and executive director vacancies.

Gurnow said that the board will consult with its members and review its mission and purpose in the community while deliberating on its next step.

"We will formulate a plan that will help us move forward and will be better for Grayling," Gurnow said. "We hope that there is some understanding that it won't happen overnight, because the fastest reaction is not always the best direction to take."

Funds sought for museum roof replacement contractor

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Crawford County Historical Museum officials are seeking donations to help replace the roof on the landmark museum.

The Crawford County Historical Society had received donations to purchase materials to replace the museum roof. Officials were going to seek donations from local roofing contractors for the roof replace-

ment. But, after witnessing the conditions that a building supply crew were working under to place bundles of shingles on the roof of the three story structure, they have decided to hire a roofing contractor to do the job.

"That will take the liability right out of the picture," said Robert Young, a museum volunteer who is heading up the roof replacement project.

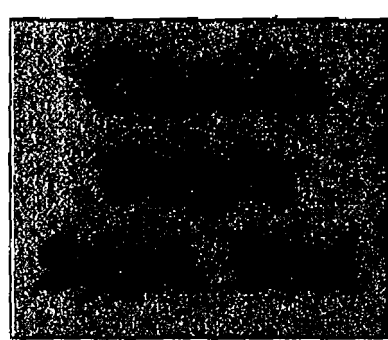
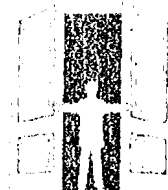
An account for the roofing project, that has been established at Citizens Bank in Grayling, is specifically earmarked to hire the contractor for the project.

"We're hoping that Crawford County citizens will come forward to help us get this job done, so we can save the museum building and protect the valuable artifacts that we have in the museum as we continue to preserve our local history," Young said.

The Crawford County Historical Museum is a former train depot that was built by the Michigan Central Railroad in 1882. The Michigan Central Railroad company had leased the land and the rail lines from the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company, the railroad firm which laid the railroad track in Grayling to transport passengers and freight in 1872.

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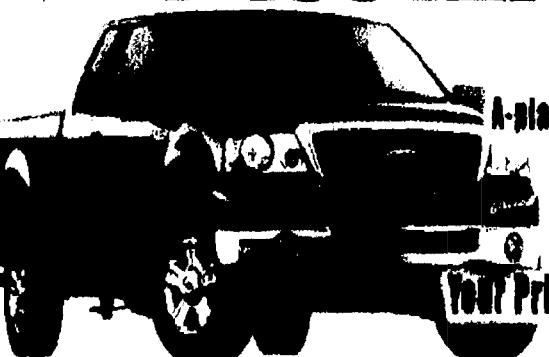
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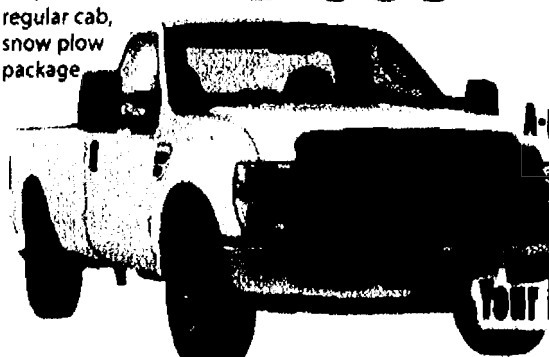
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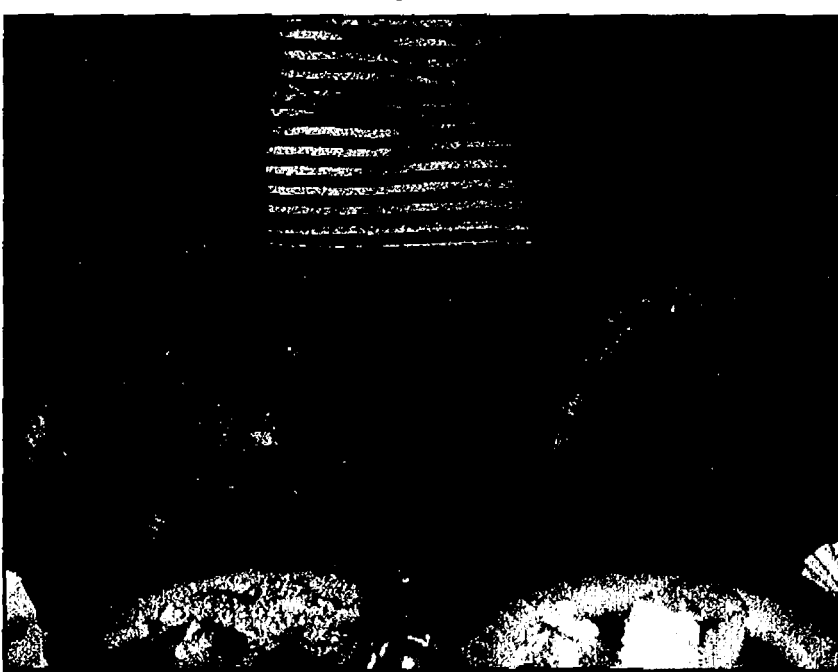
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Lovells celebrates Bridge Walk



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Lovells held its 16th annual Bridge Walk on Saturday, which featured a good turnout for the walk and an extended number of parade entries for the event. Proceeds and donations, received from the pancake breakfast, the community picnic and the sale of Bridge Walk memorabilia, go to help fund the Lovells Township Fire Department. Above left, a group of walkers make their way across the bridge. Above right, the Grayling High School Band played tunes, such as the Beach Boys' "Kokomo," Jimmy Buffet's "Margaritaville" and Alice Cooper's "Schools Out for Summer," during their Bridge Walk performance. Middle left, Allan Smith, a member of the Inland Lakes Chapter of the Antique Auto Club Collectors of America, had his Model A Ford pulling a miniature replica of the Lovell's Township Museum for the parade. Middle right, the staff from the Riverside Tavern had a Hawaiian luau themed float for the Bridge Walk parade. Below left, Dave Lovell dressed as Uncle Sam as he drove a tractor for people who decided to ride across the bridge on a float. Below right, Jack Durham, age 4, and Nathan Durham, age 6, enjoy their meals during the Bridge Walk's community picnic.

Easement sought in city park for gas line relocation

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council is moving forward with a legal agreement to allow an energy firm to relocate gas lines in connection with the I-75 Business Loop reconstruction project.

MichCon currently has two gas lines that are suspended from the AuSable River Bridge on the I-75 Business Loop. One low pressure gas line is used to service local customers, and the other high pressure gas line is used to ship gas from one place to another.

As part of utility upgrades for the project, MichCon, which is owned by the DTE Energy Company, is seeking an easement to relocate the gas lines under the AuSable River City Park.

The gas lines, when relocated, will begin at an electrical substation that the energy company has located behind the American Legion Lounge and Lanes. The

lines would then be directionally drilled under the AuSable River through the city park property out to the I-75 Business Loop.

Grayling City Manager David Thayer said that the city would have to agree not to dig or construct anything in the area of the park where the gas lines are located.

"I don't anticipate that we will be doing anything in that area of the park, and it should be something that will be fairly maintenance free once they are in the ground," Thayer said.

MichCon officials said there are no safety issues with the location of the current gas lines and there shouldn't be any problems when the lines are relocated.

"It really doesn't have anything to do with safety - it's just part of the overall road improvement project," said Scott Simons, a spokesperson for DTE Energy.

Thayer said that he had MichCon hold off on surveying

the park for the easement until after the AuSable River Festival.

Work to move the gas lines will begin in October and will take about three weeks to complete.

"They want to get in, get this done and get out, because there is no way they can do this when reconstruction of the Business Loop begins," Thayer said.

A formal easement agreement will be sent to the city council for its approval at an upcoming meeting.

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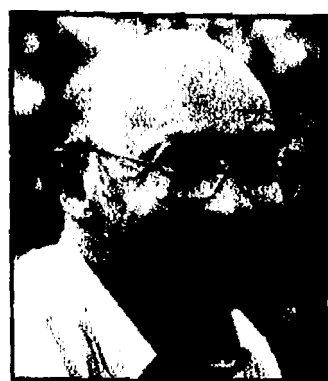
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ISSUES AND OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Political 'Olympics' right around corner

WORLD ATTENTION focused on the Olympic Games in Beijing is about to shift to the different arena of America's own "Political Olympics" — our quadrennial national political conventions.

Democrats will gather next week in Denver for their national convention, and Republicans will follow the following week in St. Paul.

It looks as if we must wait until the conventions to learn whom the two presidential candidates will tap for second in command. So far there have been hints but no front runners, except in the eyes of backers of individual would-be vice presidents.

The hottest possibilities, on a recent round of TV talk show appearances, gave no clear hint of which two eventually will be anointed, and both Sen. Obama and Sen. McCain have been equally silent so far.

THOSE MOST prominent in speculation so far line up like this: Democrats: Sen. Evan Bayh of Indiana, Gov. Bill Richardson of New Mexico, Gov. Tim Kaine of

Virginia, and ex-Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota.

Republicans: Gov. Bobby Jindal of Louisiana, Gov. Tom Pawlenty of Minnesota, former Gov. Mitt Romney of Massachusetts, and former Gov. Tom Ridge of Pennsylvania.

Each of the eight has his own special political assets and liabilities, and of course, Mr. Obama and Mr. McCain have wide freedom to choose outside this field. It's a bit strange, for one thing, that no woman appears among the top runners, but these eight male survivors have led the speculation to date.

Sen. Bayh told the news folks there is nothing to report from his angle, and Gov. Pawlenty and ex-Gov. Romney repeated those sentiments. But because I don't know any better, and keeping in mind that all I know about what's going on is what I read in the papers, here are my predictions about the veep-ships.

TOM DASCHLE would add little to the Obama ticket. The former senator is from South Dakota, a small state with few

electoral votes, and his experience is all Washington, which is not a particular asset. In addition, he was defeated in his last run to keep his seat in the senate. He's a long shot.

With his Hispanic heritage, Mr. Richardson could appeal to a large voting segment where Mr. Obama may need help. He also has broad experience as a governor and in foreign relations and in the cabinet. But New Mexico also has few electoral votes. If not on the ticket, Mr. Richardson likely would find a significant role in an Obama administration.

Sen. Evan Bayh is from Indiana, a key state which usually votes Republican, and is well respected in Washington. He would make a credible vice presidential candidate.

But I think the nod will go to Gov. Tim Kaine of Virginia, a relatively new face with executive and local government experience as governor. He has been an attractive candidate, especially among young voters. Virginia also is a state which the Democrats should have but have not carried in several presidential

elections.

Apparently Mr. Kaine also can handle himself on his feet. When asked about vice president speculation, he said "my mom likes that."

How about Sen. Hillary Clinton as a possibility for veep? That's long past — barring some sort of convention coup.

AMONG REPUBLICAN potentials, Gov. Jindal appears to have taken himself out of the running.

"I've got the job I want," he told the TV host. "I don't want to be vice president, and I am not going to be the nominee."

That could be a case of pre-emption. In my view, Gov. Jindal always has been essentially window dressing on Mr. McCain's short list.

Former Gov. Tom Ridge from Pennsylvania, an important big state, has experience both in state government and in Washington, where he was in the cabinet.

However, he's on record in favor of abortion rights, which is anathema to most conservative Republicans, many of whom

already have a problem with some of Mr. McCain's positions.

Mr. Ridge told the TV interviewers he was certain conservatives will be pleased with the eventual McCain ticket, which to me means he already thinks he won't be on it.

MITT ROMNEY'S experience includes successful business career, non-government public service (in rescuing the Salt Lake City Olympics a few years ago), big-state governor, and a national campaign for president. In his presidential run he lost to Sen. McCain, but his rigorous campaigning experience and proven money-raising abilities could prove helpful now to the McCain campaign.

Mr. Romney also has the Ridge problem with some conservative Republicans, who have trouble with some past or present positions, but not his present stance on abortion.

Mr. Romney's ties to three states — Massachusetts, Michigan and Utah — are in his favor. Minnesota is another important state for the McCain campaign,

and Gov. Pawlenty, an effective and popular governor, could be very helpful in the upper Midwest.

Some evangelical Republicans are making vice president noise for former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, who also ran a credible campaign for the GOP nomination, but his inclusion on the Republican ticket is as unlikely as Sen. Clinton on the Democratic slate.

The most logical choice for the McCain ticket is Mitt Romney, but that doesn't mean it will happen. Gov. Pawlenty would be less of a political lightning rod than Mr. Romney, and likely will end up as the McCain running mate.

THAT'S THE word from here, at least in regard to the eight potential nominees most discussed right now.

We'll know in a couple of weeks why it's usually folly to predict anything in politics.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Outsider living in Grayling

To the editor:

I have never lived in a town where I was treated with such disrespect. I was told if you're not born and raised here you're an "outsider".

I moved to Higgins Lake in 1991 from Las Vegas, Nev., then to Grayling in 1992.

Since living in Grayling, I have had my home broken into and the keepsakes of my dead father stolen. That was over six years ago. These items have not been returned to me yet. The thief has had seven years to appeal and my items will not be returned until then. The Grayling City Police have the items in an officer's lock box, being held as evidence. What is wrong with this picture?

A couple of weeks ago, a father and son tree service out of Kalkaska cut down my neighbor's tree and trimmed mine. The city removed everything from their huge tree and what was trimmed from mine, but left

a big mound of branches in my front yard. Days went by and still the branches remained in my yard. I finally went and knocked on my neighbor's door to ask if they knew why they hadn't been picked up. Didn't the city tell you, they said, they're not from our trees. They were informed why, but I was not, and the branches were in my yard killing my grass, not theirs. Again I say, what's wrong with this picture?

I guess it's really true, I am an outsider living in Grayling. I don't bother anyone or break the law. You don't know me, so why should you care if I'm made to feel unwelcome in your town? I spend my money here putting back into the community just like you do. What is wrong with this picture?

L. Walsh
Grayling
P.S. Shawn, if you're reading this, please come haul away your tree branches.

Reason for cancelling the martial arts event is unjust

To the editor:

I am writing this letter to Mr. Joe Powers.

What are you thinking? KO'ing the mixed martial arts event at the middle school. Why? Because you're not a fan of it?

Sir, you really must educate yourself in the art for sure. MMA is not just a bunch of thugs in a cage beating the stuffing out of each other as you seem to think. These men and women train long and hard at what they do. They are very skilled.

There were karate tournaments held at the high school just a year or so ago. Not to mention there was also a boxing team in Grayling. Not only did they fight at the middle school, they also trained there.

This sport is no more violent than football. Your concerns with

injury are unjust. There were more injuries on our own football field last year than there has ever been with this organization.

For you to nix this is about as dumb as it gets. First, you are missing out on helping the community that pays your check. You are turning down dollars you can't afford to turn down. So, I say to all the residents of Crawford County, the next time our school wants a millage, we say no.

Please don't go to the football games for sure, because they are too violent and we should not allow our children to play, they might get hurt.

Mr. Powers your reasoning makes no sense whatsoever. So do us all a favor and step down.

We don't need your kind.
Russ DeHart
Grayling

Oil prices have fallen but gas prices in Grayling haven't

To the editor:

Maybe I'm just not figuring this out right, and I don't profess to being a math major, but how can the price of gas, so closely related to the price of a barrel of oil, go up commensurate with a rise in oil prices but does not work the same way in reverse? Oil was at an all time high on July 11 at \$147.27 and those of us here in Grayling were paying \$4.29 for a gallon of gas. Oil

went down to \$113.01 this morning and then rose a modest \$2.99 to \$116 a barrel. Here in Grayling, gas prices shot up on this news from \$3.72 to \$3.95. Oil prices have fallen 23 percent since July 11. Hmmm, shouldn't gas prices have dropped the same (99 cents!!)? \$3.30 a gallon is still hard to swallow, but it looks good right now doesn't it?

Chris Golinick
Grayling

The DNR needs to be reminded who they work for

To the editor:

Many retirees move to the north country to be closer to the woods for horseback trail riding.

Riders from southern counties stop in Grayling to gas up, buy food and beverages and run into stores for forgotten items.

Our DNR is now restricting riding in the Pigeon River area. The Pigeon River is broken into

squares by forest service roads. Horses are forbidden on these two tracts. Mushroom pickers and berry pickers are kept out by berms that restrict vehicles.

The overpaid bureaucrats of the DNR need to be reminded of who they work for.

Carol Hyzer
Crawford County retiree

Family treated badly by camp host and DNR

To the editor:

On June 25, my wife and I went to the Lake Margrethe campground. We registered in site 21 at 8 p.m., and my daughter, her husband and my grandkids registered in site 20. Friends of ours had been camping themselves for several days and were registered in site 22. They stopped over on several occasions, but were doing their own camping at their site. None of us were ever greeted by the camp host.

On June 26, my family was at my daughter's camp site eating supper. There were three vehicles parked at the site. The camp host walked into my daughter's campsite and stated rudely, "We have rules and you cannot have three vehicles at a site." My brother-in-law said that he had just brought out supper for everyone. The camp host said that she didn't care, rules are rules.

My brother-in-law stopped eating and got in his truck and left. The camp host also left.

The next day, June 27, I talked to my brother-in-law. He told me that he called Mark Lutz and was told to call Susan Thiel, which he did. He was told that she would talk to the camp host. Both Mark and Susan were very nice about what happened.

Then, on June 29 at 11 a.m., DNR officer Lutz pulled in front of campsite 20, got out of his truck and pulled the registration tags for campsites 20, 21 and 22. When he returned to campsite 20, his voice was loud and his face was red. He stated that we could not re-register until tomorrow and had to be out of the campground by 3 p.m. or we would be arrested for criminal trespassing.

We were told he had four complaints about these three sites, swearing, lighting off fireworks and having loud music after 10 p.m. When asked who complained, he said he could not tell us, but all of us had to be out

by 3 p.m.

When he was asked why he did not come out on June 28, when he got the complaints, he remarked that the state only allows so much time. He could have witnessed that our kids were in the camper watching a movie and the adults (including the great-grandparents) were huddled under the awning while it rained. When I asked about the camp host coming into our campsite and making a scene, I was told that she could come into a campsite because she was a paid state employee. He also stated that they only have trouble with the locals. He then got in his truck and traveled the wrong way down the road to another campsite where he found the fireworks. We were told that he took the fireworks, but did not evict them.

We spoke to all of the campers in that location when they came to our campsite. We were told that no one there had complained. Three other campers wrote statements that it was not campsites 20, 21 and 22, but it did not matter. We had to leave, we were guilty without an explanation. The worst of all is that I've know officer Lutz for about 25 years. I've never seen him so unprofessional. My grandkids could not understand why they had to go home for something that we did not do. It was hard to explain, but I told him that not all DNR officers or campground hosts act like that.

I have not camped at the Lake Margrethe campground in the last two years because of all the stories that I've heard about the Lake Margrethe campground, but with the price of gas we decided to go there ... my mistake. I will save my money and take my family to different counties in the state where we can be treated like campers not criminals.

Ed Papendick
Grayling

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BRIEFS

Delivery date for Angelfood announced

The delivery date for Angelfood will be Saturday, Aug. 23, from 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Bring a box or cooler.

Preschool to hold open house

The Grayling Co-op Preschool will hold an open house on Aug. 21, from 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. There will be an open registration for the 2008-2009 school year. Orientation will be held at the library on Aug. 26 at 6 p.m.

Black Iron Days to be held

Hartwick Pines State Park will host Black Iron Days on Saturday, Aug. 23 and Sunday, Aug. 24, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the logging museum. On Saturday, Aug. 23, the Swampers will take on the Mighty River Hogs of Midland at 1 p.m. and Jan VanHoesen's Live Lynx program will be held at 3 p.m. at the Visitor Center Auditorium.

GMS Volleyball practice to begin

Volleyball practice for 7th and 8th grade girls will begin on Monday, Aug. 25, from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the Grayling Middle School. All players must have a sports physical before practicing. Those who do not have one will not be able to participate. All girls need to bring indoor volleyball shoes and outdoor running shoes.

Wednesday night bowling league to meet

The Wednesday Night Recreation League will hold its fall meeting on Aug. 27, at 7 p.m., at the Legion Lanes. All team captains are encouraged to attend. Call Sandy, at 344-0471, with any questions.

Horse trail ride to benefit animal shelter

The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter will host its first "Blazin' the Trails for Waggin' Tails" horse trail ride on Saturday, Sept. 6. The entry fee is \$20 per person or \$10 for kids under the age of 12. The ride is about 20 miles long. The ride will begin at 9 a.m. at the Four Mile Road Trail Camp and dinner will be at 6 p.m. There will be drawings and a bonfire at 8 p.m. Bring your guitar and voice for songs around the fire. All proceeds will benefit the shelter animals. RSVP by calling the shelter at 348-4117.

Senior farmers market coupons available

The Crawford County COA, along with Crawford County MSU Extension, is sponsoring the 3rd annual Senior Project Fresh Farmers Market Nutrition Program, which gives \$20 worth of coupons to be used on fresh Michigan produce at participating local fresh markets, such as Jim's Farm Market and the Grayling Farm market in front of the State Police building on Thursdays. If you are a Crawford County senior age 60 or above and your monthly income is below \$1,064 (\$2,159 for a couple), you may qualify for these free coupons. Contact Chris Davis at 348-7123.

Scott McNamara's Old 27 tour to be held

The Old US 27 Motor Tour will be held on Friday, Aug. 22, at 5 p.m. There will be over 100 antique autos, a pig and corn roast, live music and dancing, all free to the public. Proceeds to benefit the local D.A.R.E. program and the motor tour. Call Wayne Metzger, at 348-3242, with any questions.

Economic development partnership government forum set

Grayling Charter Township will host this year's third annual economic development government forum. The forum is a place and time when the various governmental organizations and related service organizations promoting economic development can come together so their officers and employees can network through common problems and solutions. This year's forum will be held on Monday, Sept. 8, at the Beaver Creek Township Park and Conference Center at 8888 South Grayling Road.

A dinner of traditional picnic foods, catered by the Grayling Moose Lodge, will begin at 5 p.m. in the park, weather permitting. Alcoholic beverages will not be served. At 7 p.m., Terry Wright, Grayling Township Supervisor, will welcome the attendees and Gaila Gilliland,

director of the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership, will open the annual meeting in the conference center with an introduction of guests. Special guest speakers include Patrick Crosson, of the MainStreet America project, and representatives of the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments and URL Consulting, who will present the final draft of the Grayling area transportation and traffic study.

Tickets can be obtained through the Grayling Township at a cost of \$16 per person. Reserve your ticket today by sending your check to Grayling Charter Township, PO Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738, or call (989) 348-4361 during normal business hours.

The public is always invited to attend.

Wellington Farm USA to hold Tractor Show

On Saturday, Aug. 23, and Sunday, Aug. 24, Wellington Farm USA will play host to its 13th annual Tractor and Farm Equipment Show.

Activities will actually get underway on Friday afternoon at 4 p.m., when a parade of tractors will leave Wellington Farm and ride to a local restaurant in Grayling for a traditional farm supper.

Any tractor owner who would like to participate in the Friday ride is encouraged to do so and should call Wellington Farm USA to register for the ride.

Tractors may register for the show beginning at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 21. Anyone who has a tractor, big or small, old or new, running or not, is cordially invited to bring it to Wellington Farm USA for the weekend event.

Free primitive camping is available for anyone wishing to stay for the weekend. More information can be obtained by calling the farm at 888-653-3276 or visiting the Web site at www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Old gasoline engines, steam engines or any old farm equipment will be provided a space free of charge at the 60-acre living history museum. Area crafters are also invited to come and participate, with no charge for set-up providing they demon-

strate their craft throughout the duration of the show. Flea market and swap meet vendors will be asked to pay a small fee for booth space.

Daily activities at the two day tractor show will include threshing, baling with a turn of the century baler, tractor games, food concessions and an operating clover huller, quite possibly the only one in the state of Michigan. The sawmill will be in operation as will be the Blacksmith Shop and the Grist Mill. Both the sawmill and some of the threshers will be powered by steam engines.

Gates at the Wellington Tractor Show open at 10 a.m. each day and the admission charge is \$6 for adults and \$4 for seniors and students.

Wellington Farm USA is located at 6940 South Military Road between Higgins Lake and Camp Grayling. It is easily accessed from US-127, I-75 and M-72. The farm also has a general store which is fully stocked with produce items, jams and jellies, gift items, T-shirts and hats. Fresh farm baked pies and cinnamon rolls arrive every Friday morning and are offered for sale until they are gone.

Wellington Farm USA is owned and operated by Wellington Farm Park Inc., a nonprofit corporation.

Mediation training set for Gaylord

Community Mediation Services (CMS) will present a 40-hour training for new mediators in September in Gaylord.

This Michigan State Supreme Court approved curriculum provides an overview of the state's Alternative Dispute Resolution program and the mediation process. Participants learn listening, questioning, negotiating, conversation skills, summarizing techniques, agreement writing and more.

Classes will be held Thursdays, Sept. 18 and 25, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays, Sept. 19 and 26, and Saturdays, Sept. 20 and 27, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Participants must attend all class hours to successfully complete the training.

Training will be held at the Otsego County United Way Building in Gaylord, located at 116 Fifth Street (at the corner of Fifth and Elm).

Snacks and beverages will be provided as well as lunch on Fridays and Saturdays.

Trainers include Judith Doan and Grant Bliss.

Training fee is \$50 per person for participants who agree to serve as a volunteer mediator with CMS. The cost of the training for those who do not agree to volunteer with CMS is \$500 per person. The fee covers all course materials, including training manuals and meals.


Payment must be made prior to

the first class.

Registration deadline is Friday, Sept. 12.

To reserve your place or for additional information, contact Judi Doan at 989-732-1576, 1-800-873-7658 or e-mail to communitymediationservices@verizon.net.

To learn more about CMS, visit their Web site at www.otsego.org/cms/.



Time to Celebrate
Bring your friends for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres this Friday, August 22, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. as we celebrate the naming of the Forest Dunes clubhouse restaurant. The new name and the winner will be announced at 6:30 p.m.
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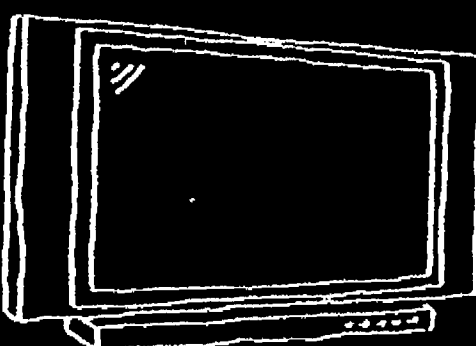
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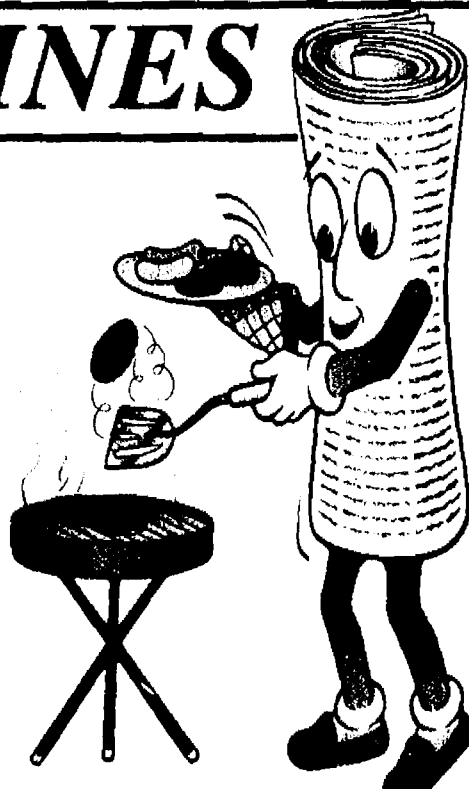
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EARLY DEADLINES

The Crawford County Avalanche will be closed Monday, September 1st, for Labor Day, and will re-open at 9 a.m. Tuesday, September 2nd. The deadline for all display ads for the September 4th issue is Thursday, August 28th at 5 p.m. News items, photographs and classified display ads must be turned in by noon on Friday, August 29th. Classified ads must be turned in by noon on Tuesday, September 2nd.

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The Bible Speaks

Family Affinity

"14For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." (Rom. 8:14). Not only do we have assurance of salvation as children of God, but we have definite affinity with God. Jesus taught His disciples to pray: "Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." As children we have a unique relationship with our heavenly Father. He is uniquely concerned about us as His children. As His children we should be jealous for His Hallowed name. As His children we should be more concerned about His heavenly kingdom than our own earthly future. As His children we should be more concerned about doing His will than our own.

As children of God we are to have the mind of Christ in 1 Corinthians 2:16: "16For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ." This is because we have God's words revealed to us as Jesus said in John 17:8: "8For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and

they have believed that thou didst send me." Not only are we family, but Jesus says in John 15:15 we are also called friends: "15Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you."

As children of God we are to follow the ways of our Father as Jesus taught in Matthew 5:43-48: "43Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. 44But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; 45That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. 46For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same? 47And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so? 48Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." "1Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; 2And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us,

and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour." (Eph 5:1,2).

As children of God we are to follow the Father's chastening when He corrects our failures. "6For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. 7If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? 8But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. 9Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? 10For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness." (Heb. 12:6-10).

God has made every provision for our needs for all time and eternity. As children of God our greatest desire should be to glorify Him and enjoy Him forever. What a glorious privilege! Pastor "B"

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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Aug. 22 - Lunch-baked ham with apple glaze, marshmallow sweet potatoes, winter blend vegetables and honey-nut apples. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Monday, Aug. 25 - Lunch - chicken pot pie, green beans, cauliflower and an orange.

Dinner - scalloped potatoes with ham, Italian blend vegetables, corn and pineapple. 1 p.m. Bridge.

Tuesday, Aug. 26 - Lunch - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, peas and peaches. Dinner - roast turkey, stuffing, green beans and acorn squash. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 1 p.m. Euchre, 3 p.m. board games, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Aug. 27 - Lunch - hungry boy casserole, Brussels sprouts, corn and mixed fruit. Dinner - Swedish meatballs with

noodles and asparagus. 1 p.m. pool league, 2 p.m. caregiver class, 5:30 p.m. Medicine Shoppe Bingo.

Thursday, Aug. 28 - Lunch - chicken stir-fry, rice, asparagus and oranges and grapefruit. Dinner - beef vegetable stew, green beans and fresh fruit salad. 10 a.m. craft class, 1 p.m. COA Board meeting, 2 p.m. UNO Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 120 complaints the week of Aug 11 - Aug. 17:

One missing person, 27 general non-criminal complaints, three false alarm activations, two assault/intimidation/stalkings, three assault and batteries/simple assaults, four burglaries/home invasions, eight larcenies, one

fraudulent activity, five damage to properties, one retail fraud refund/exchange, one drug/narcotic violation, one marijuana possession, 23 public peace/disorderlies, one public peace/other, one OUIL/UBAL, five health and safeties, two miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, six traffic accidents, one traffic violation-civil infraction, two hazardous conditions, two

lost and found properties, three family troubles-domestic, 12 suspicious situations, three driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to www.crawfordsheriff.org.

BUSINESS NEWS

Grayling Post Office

The Grayling Post Office recently earned a five-star rating as part of the U.S. Postal Service's new 5 Star Customer Service Program. The ratings are based on surveys by The Gallup Organization.

"We've always provided excellent service," said David Hoecherl, officer in charge.

"Now we've got the stars to back it up."

The Gallup Organization surveys USPS customers, asking them to rate local post offices on efficiency, accuracy of delivery, consistency of delivery and walk-time-in-line. The Grayling Post Office received a significant increase in "Excellent" ratings, earning the 5 Star Customer

Service Award.

Each office earning 5 Star status receives a sign for its door and all employees receive 5 Star lapel pins in recognition of the rating.

"We're really honored to receive this rating," said Hoecherl. "It shows that our customers value the excellent service the employees in this office provide."

Card of Thanks

I want to give a big thank you to all who contributed financially to provide music on July 5 and July 6 in the city park. The music was great, but the turnout was disappointing. I now know I must attain the funds sooner to be able to commit to the bands. Then the bands can commit to a time slot, which only then can be promoted properly to the public. Next year will be better, I prom-

ise, the same as this year's 4th of July parade was better than last year's. The \$885 in donations all went to the musicians.

I give heartfelt thanks to AJD Forest Products, Stephan Wood Products, AirWay Automation, Weyerhaeuser Co., Grayling Restaurant, Springs Window Fashions, River Park Campground, Scheer Motors, Forward Corporation, Pineview,

Herb Olson, Pointe North, David and Elaine Jansen, Seems Like Home, Fox Run Country Club, Great Lakes Vision and Jayne and Rex Siglin. Thank you also to Gannon Broadcasting for the airtime, Xpress Copy Center, the Crawford County Avalanche and a special thank you to Fred "Pete" Kelly and friends for your help and time.

Phil Faustman

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President David Stephenson
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord

Sacrament
Sunday School.....10 am
Primary.....11 am
Preschool.....Noon
Relief Society.....Noon

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petre, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling.

Sunday School.....10 am
Sunday Service, Children's Church and Youth Service.....11 am
Sunday Evening Service.....6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting.....7 pm
Wednesday Service.....7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting.....7 pm
(van transportation available)

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
710 Spruce Street
348-5224

Community of Christ
Pastor Ann Doty
North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glenn Rd. • 348-9751

Church School.....9:45 am
Preaching.....11 am
Midweek Service Prayer.....7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor
Parish Office - 707 Spruce - 348-7657

Saturday Evening Masses.....4:30 pm
Sunday Masses.....10:00 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend Elizabeth Chace
M-72 West • Office 348-5850

Morning Prayer Tues-Fri.....8:30 am
Eucharist (Wed).....8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist.....8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Center
Pastor Bob & Debbie Mann
Mail: 2640 M-72 West Grayling, MI 49738
Phone: 989-348-1000

Sunday Service.....10:30 am
Mid Week Services (Wed).....7:00 pm
E-mail: restell@resurrectionlife.org

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS)
(989) 348-5921
905 N. I-75 Bus. Loop
at the junction of M-93 & Old 27

Saturday Evening Worship Service.....7 pm
Sunday Worship Service.....10:30 am
Sunday School.....9:15 am

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West, Grayling 989-348-9220

Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship.....10:30 am
Evening Worship.....6 pm
Wednesday.....7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.).....7 pm

Church of Christ
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. • 275-8613
In Search of the Lord's Way Sunday Mornings on TV 29 & 8.....7:30 am
Sunday Classes.....10 am
Sunday Worship.....11 am
Sunday Evening.....6 pm
1st Sunday Evening of every month, there is no service.

Mid-Week Bible Study (Wed.).....7 pm
Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor Lyle Stader
211 Shellenbarger St. • 348-5325

Sunday School.....10 am
Sunday Worship.....11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening.....7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
Affiliated with S.B.C.
Pastor John Scott
705 Madsen St. • Grayling • 348-2557

Sunday School.....9:45 am
Morning Worship.....11 am
Evening Service.....6 pm
Wednesday Service.....7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
Pastor David Rosenberg
Associate Pastor Scott Hoffer
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday Church Service.....10 am - 6:30 pm
Sunday School.....9 am
Bible Study (Wed.).....7 pm
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed.6:30 pm

Luzerne Baptist
Pastor James Durfee
2247 Durfee Lane

Sunday School.....10 am
Sunday Morning Worship.....11 am
Sunday Evening Worship.....6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....7 pm

Church Alive Church of God
Pastor David Barker
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska
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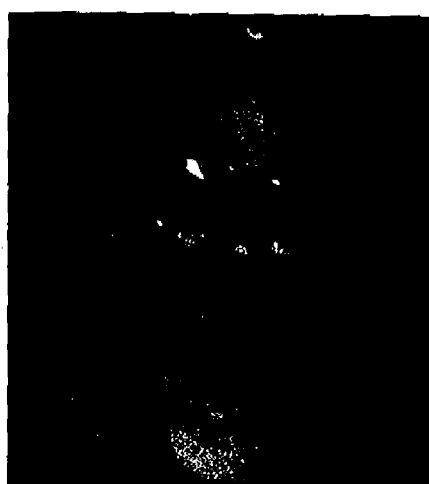
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OBITUARIES



John M. Wilcox, Jr.

Jan. 12, 1927 - Aug. 15, 2008
John McKane Wilcox, Jr., 81, of Grayling, passed away on August 15, 2008.

He was born in Mt. Clemens, on January 12, 1927, to John McKane and Edna Freida (Wier) Wilcox.

He served in the U.S. Army during WWII.

He worked at Camp Grayling for 37 years as a heavy equipment operator and retired as a supervisor in 1984.

He was a lifetime member of VFW Post #3736 and the American Legion Post #106 and the 40/8.

He married the former Georgina Beverly Denewett on May 4, 1957, in Grayling.

He was a member of Mt. Hope Lutheran Church.

He was generously involved in the Grayling community. He was a volunteer fireman for the City of Grayling for 23 years. He was involved with the Crawford County Ambulance for 17 years. He was an Auxiliary Officer for the Crawford County Sheriff's Department and the City of Grayling Police Department. He was a CPR Instructor and a member of the Goodale Bakery Boys.

When he retired from the fire department, "John Wilcox Day" was celebrated in recognition of his contributions to the community.

He is survived by his wife,

Beverly Wilcox of 51 years; sons: John McKane Wilcox III of Grayling, Clark Edward (Terry Lyn) Wilcox of Auburn, Wash., Arthur Jene "AJ" (Mary Jane) Wilcox of Palm Bay, Fla., Stanley Joseph (Liberty) Wilcox of Maryland, Md.; daughters, Julianne Marie (Gene) Andrews of St. Johns, Teresa Diane (Fred) Raybould of Grayling; grandchildren: Nicole Lyn Wilcox, Clark Edward Wilcox, Jr., Justin Steven Wilcox, Heather Renee (Randy) Beals, Nicholas Adam (Jeanine) Andrews, Christopher John Andrews, Robert Duane Andrews, Tiffany Elizabeth Andrews, Shanda Leigh Wilcox, Shaston Leigh (Walter) Gorman, Sherrie Leigh Mayberry, Samantha Maria Wilcox, Aaron McKane Wilcox, Timothy Michael Hoesli, Jason Chris (Barbara) Hoesli; great-grandchildren: Makaylann Juanita Wilcox, Aiden William Wilcox, Randy Wade Beals, Isaih Christian Beals, Alexander Jacob "AJ" Beals, Aurora Ashlyn Gorman, Ava Alva Gorman, Skyler Elizabeth Wilcox, Erica Lynn Hoesli, Samantha Brooke Hoesli, Max Jeffrey Hoesli; sisters, Edna Babbitt, Dorothy Williams; brother, Herbert (Ardith) Wilcox; and sister-in-law, Velma June Wilcox.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Marie Iverson; brother, Roland Wilcox; grandson, Jeffery John Hoesli; and granddaughter, Mary Ann Andrews.

A funeral service was held at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home on August 19, at 11:00 a.m., with Pastor Steven Theil officiating.

Interment was at Oakwood Cemetery in Frederic.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Vada B. Bloom

Oct. 17, 1925 - Aug. 6, 2008

Vada Belle Bloom, 82, of Yuma, Ariz., formerly of Oscoda, passed away on August 6, 2008, in Yuma, Ariz., where she had lived for three years.

She was born in Kalkaska, on October 17, 1925.

She enjoyed family time, playing Bingo and baking. For many years, she was famous for the pies that she baked for the Knights of Columbus Fish Frys.

She is survived by daughters: Karen Bloom and Kathie Soroka of Oscoda; significant other, Bud Smith of Grayling; grandchildren: Jason (DeDee) Sabin of Grand Rapids, Shannon (Ryan) Story of Greenbush, Sarah Travis, James (Christine) Beckner, Mark Soroka and Joe Beckner, all of Oscoda; great-grandchildren: Even, Alyssa, Aaron, Katy, Ion, Brody, Ryan, Raelyn and Adrian Kate; sisters, Bea Campbell of Okla., and Zora Belcher of Tucson, Ariz.; brother, Leo Six of Niles; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Aaron Sabin.

Per her wishes, cremation has taken place.

A celebration of her life will be held on Saturday, September 6, from 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 349 South State St., Oscoda.

Condolences may be sent to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation because of her great-grandson, Ryan, or to the American Cancer Society because of her great-granddaughter, Katy.

Arrangements made by Buresh & Bennett Funeral Home, Oscoda.

LIBRARY NEWS

The annual Beaver Creek picnic will be held on Saturday, Aug. 23, from noon - 5 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall. There will be activities for the kids, food and the getting together of old friends. Stop by the Crawford County Library System table and say hi to Mrs. G and see what craft project she has planned for the little ones this year. For more information, contact Vivian at 989-275-8878.

The C.C.L.L. Book Club will meet at the Devereaux Memorial Library on Tuesday, Aug. 26, at 5 p.m. to discuss "The Widower" by Liesel Litzenburger. Join us for discussions and refreshments. For more information about the book club, call Jane at 989-348-9214.

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On behalf of Janice, Rick, Wayne, Sue, Randy and Yvonne, we would like to thank you for all your acts of kindness and help you have shown to "Mom" and the family! Although dad's passing to glory was unexpected to us, it was not to God. We have always appreciated our extended families and close friends, but words alone cannot express our gratitude for driving them to the doctor, helping them with their medication, shoveling their snow, cutting their grass, hauling out their trash, fixing their vehicles, being their key holder, providing their meals or simply having a cup of coffee and sharing a laugh with them. We recently emptied the house and we could not help but remember all the great experiences and memories we had growing up in Grayling and how thankful we are for having been raised there.

In loving memory of our dad,
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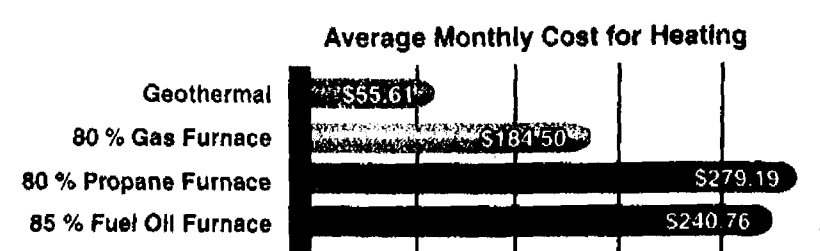
Sarah and Rob Pollock, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Jackson Ian, born at Mercy Hospital on August 5, 2008, at 1:25 p.m., weighing 11 lbs., 2.5 ozs., and measuring 22 inches in length.

Rachel Hagle and Josh Fox, announce the birth of a son, Noah Thomas, born at Mercy Hospital on August 9, 2008, at 9:25 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 6 ozs., and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length.

Alisha Brisen and Dennis Timlick, of Grayling, announce the birth of a daughter, Cadence Marie, born at Mercy Hospital on August 6, 2008, at 1:40 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length.

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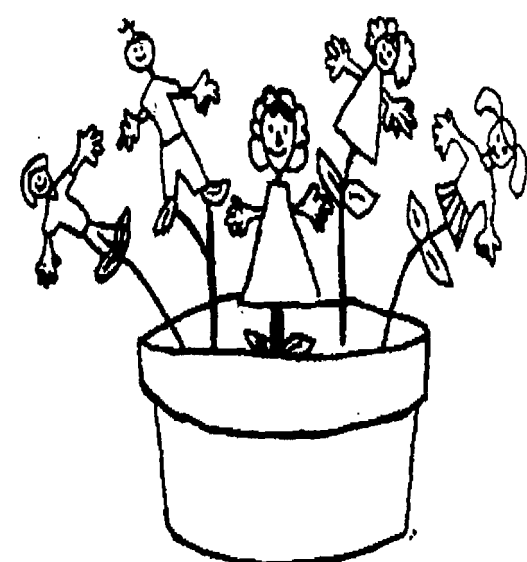
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RANGE FIRING

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard, Aug. 21 - 22 and Aug. 25 - 27.

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Sherman Rd., south of Old State Rd. 618 and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), will be conducting artillery live fire, Aug. 21 - 27.

The following firing ranges are scheduled during the period of Aug. 21 - 27.

Small arms ranges, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and north of Portage Creek.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, Aug. 26 - 27.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on Aug. 26 - 27. Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Rd. to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East - West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down

River Rd.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371. For further information, call 989-344-6320.

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To qualify for the **LIFELINE** program, 2008 annual household income must be at or below 150% of the federal poverty levels shown below.

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2	1,750	21,000		
3	2,200	26,400		
4	2,650	31,800		
5	3,100	37,200		
6	3,550	42,600		
7	4,000	48,000		
8	4,450	53,400		

*Subject to change. Add \$5,400 (\$450 monthly) for each additional household member.

Or, the person must participate in one of the following federal assistance programs: Medicaid, Food Stamps, Federal Public Housing Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP), National School Lunch Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

Toll Blocking Service (TBS) support allows eligible consumers who wish to avoid incurring large long distance fees to choose toll blocking at no cost.

A resident of tribal lands qualifies for **LIFELINE** and **LINK-UP** if he or she meets the above criteria, or by participating in one of the following programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance Program, Tribally-Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Head Start (income-qualified customer only) or National School Lunch Program (free lunch program).

For further information on **LIFELINE** and **LINK-UP**, visit www.lifeline.gov.

If you or someone you know may be eligible for this program, please call Upper Peninsula Telephone Company for an application.

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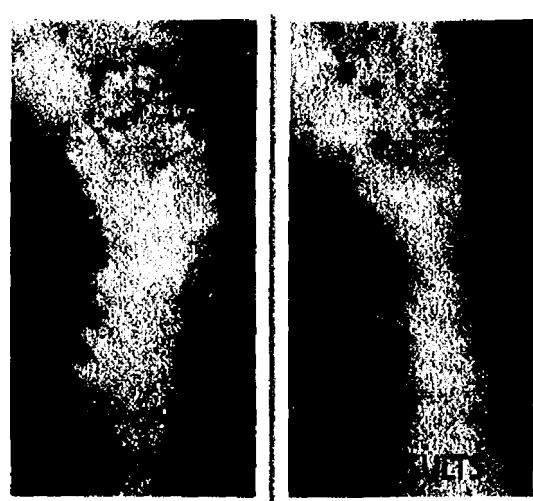
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Horseshoe tournament helps animals



Aaron Weaver and Tom Lurack, representing Grayling Auto Repair, pitched their way to first place in the 4th Annual Horseshoe Tournament to benefit the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter. The trophy was presented by organizer, Mary Becker, accompanied by event host Swamp II of Frederic owners Bob and Linda Krajewski. The event, which was held Aug. 2, raised over \$900 for the animals.

Teen organizes softball tournament to help family

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Comers live on Michigan Avenue, a few blocks from the Benardo's Peninsular Avenue home. Kristina and Madison Benardo are friends and in the same grade at school. Kristina's brother, David Comer III, and Andrew Benardo are best buddies. Patrick and Jay Benardo also play at the Comer's home. And fathers Pat Benardo and David Comer play on the same softball and bowling leagues.

Kristina Comer said she learned of Patricia's current bout with cancer when Pat Benardo came to their home and told Andrea about the diagnosis. "This is something they have gone through twice before and now it's back," Andrea Comer said. "It's an ongoing battle."

Kristina has been organizing the softball tournament for the past month, since learning of the hardships the Benardos are facing. She got the idea to organize the softball tournament after discussing what her family could do to help the Benardos, and decided to run with the idea due to her family's involvement with the Hanson Hill's softball leagues.

"We were just throwing around some ideas to try to help them out," David Comer said. "We told her we would help her out, but she had to do all the work and she's been tearing up the phone lines ever since."

Cancer has been a family issue for the Comer family. Kristina's grandfather, Randy Flowers, passed away after a battle with cancer. Her other grandfather, David Comer, was treated for lung cancer two years ago. His cancer is now in remission.

Kristina said that she wanted to step forward and provide a helping hand to their family and neighborhood friends.

"I'm just hoping to do as much as I can to make their life easier," she said.

Pat Benardo said Patricia recently underwent surgery at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City for her breast cancer. He said that breast cancer runs in Patricia's family.

Pat Benardo said that he appreciates the support from the community and for people watching and scheduling playdates for their children so Patricia can rest.

"When other people are helping out, I think it's great and what they're doing is terrific," he said.

So far, a couple of softball teams from Grayling and a team from Gaylord have registered to play in the tournament. Fliers promoting the tournament were circulated in the Higgins Lake and Houghton Lake areas, in hopes of recruiting more teams.

The Comers hope to register up to eight teams, so that they can have a double-elimination tournament, or round-robin action, if there is not a full slate of teams.

Kristina has received donations from Citgo, Save-A-Lot, Glen's Market, Wal-Mart and area pizza places for snacks that will be sold at a concession stand during the tournament. Sylvester's donated a pair of trophies that will be given to the softball tournament winners.

Kristina said she enjoys the energy and being around friends during softball league action.

"It's just a cool atmosphere," she said.

The registration fee for a team for the tournament is \$150. Teams can register by calling (989) 710-6554 by Friday, Aug. 22.

Bingo

Sunday - 1:00 pm
Grayling Eagles Auxiliary #3465
Eagles Club, 602 Huron Grayling

City accepts police chief's resignation

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Thayer said he will conduct a large search for a new police chief outside of the department. Thayer said the ideal candidate will be a veteran police officer who has an ample amount of experience as a patrolman and as an administrator with a large police force.

Thayer said the search could take between 60 to 90 days.

"I'm looking for a policeman who has a lot of experience, and that is constituent and consumer friendly, to serve as police chief for the community," Thayer said.

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KCC hosts fall orientation event



Susie Allen (left), director of admissions at Kirtland Community College, answers questions and directs students to activities during the college's recent 2008 Fall Orientation on Aug. 14. More than 120 people, including new students, families and friends, attended the event. The fall 2008 semester official begins on Saturday, Aug. 23, with registration continuing through Friday, Aug. 22. Currently, about 2,200 students attend a variety of certificate and two-year degree programs at Kirtland's two campuses, at Roscommon and the Michigan Technical Education Center (M-TEC) in Gaylord, with the college's service area including all or parts of Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Roscommon, Otsego, Kalkaska, Missaukee, Gladwin, Alcona counties and the surrounding areas.

BUSINESS NEWS

Grayling Hospital for Animals

Grayling Hospital for Animals has again received accreditation following a comprehensive evaluation by the American Animal Hospital Association. The evaluation includes a quality assessment review of the hospital's facility, medical equipment, practice methods and pet health care management.

Only 15 percent of all small animal veterinary practices in the U.S. have achieved accreditation by the American Animal Hospital Association. In order to maintain accredited status, Grayling Hospital for Animals must continue to be evaluated regularly by the

association's consultants.

"Grayling Hospital for Animals belongs to a select group of practices that are committed to meeting the highest standards in veterinary medicine," says Anna Worth, VMD, AAHA president. "AAHA hospitals pass a stringent evaluation of over 900 standards covering patient care, client service and medical protocols. By attaining accreditation, Grayling Hospital for Animals is demonstrating its dedication to offering the best care to its patients and clients."

Established in 1933, the American Animal Hospital Association is the only organization that accredits veterinary practices throughout the U.S. and Canada for dedication to high

standards of veterinary care. Approximately 3,000 AAHA-accredited practices pass regular reviews of AAHA's stringent accreditation standards that cover patient care, client service and medical protocols. For pet care

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Snakes slither into Hartwick Pines State Park



Photos by Dan Sanderson

Jim McGrath, founder of the Nature Discovery Center, which has the largest collection of Michigan reptiles and amphibians, made his annual visit to the Hartwick Pines State Park last weekend. McGrath made a presentation on Michigan snakes. Above left, McGrath holds a black rat snake, the largest snake found in the state. Above right, McGrath holds the mouth of the snake up to the nose of Trevor Fields, age 10 of Marine City, in an effort to clear up the myth that all snakes are biters. Below right, McGrath's daughter, Lily McGrath, shows a snake around to give the audience a close up view of the reptile.



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Scouts build collection boxes



Grayling Boy Scout Troop 995 recently completed another community service project for the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter by building new dog house collection boxes displaying the shelter's new name. Shelter Director Cheryl Postma said she loves the bright colors used by the scouts. The paint was left over from another project. The wood was donated by DuBois Lumber Company. Proceeds from the dog houses help feed and care for all of the dogs and cats awaiting adoption.

State sets firm deadlines for theme park land sale

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A second 160 acres, where the water and "wastewater" treatment facilities for the project will be located, will be released once utility corridors are defined and earthwork is completed. Work for that phase of the project must begin before Jan. 16, 2010.

A third phase of the sale will include 540 acres of land zoned for an agricultural component of the park, an outdoor amphitheater, a resort hotel and additional industrial development, and 410 acres for a campground and a second resort hotel. The sale will be completed once water and wastewater plants are built, and must begin before March 16, 2012.

A final 230 acres of land zoned for commercial development will be released in the fourth-phase of

the plan, about six months after construction of the amenities for the third phase of the project are completed.

If the deadlines of the agreement are not met, the state will terminate the agreement and return escrowed land and money to the respective parties.

Dave Freed, chief of land and facilities for the DNR, said that the memorandum for the sale of the land will be kept on the NRC's monthly agendas in order to still gather public input on the project.

"The memorandum establishes the time when things need to be starting so this doesn't continue on indefinitely," Freed said.

Supporters of the park said that the park would help boost the economy and tax base with jobs and supporting businesses, while

park opponents say that plans for the park are not feasible. They also fear the possible environmental impact of the project and question the financing for the land deal.

Susan Haddad, spokesperson for the Mainstreet America Inc. project, said developers are pleased to have a formal agreement to take to investors.

"Now we are able to go to our financial partners and say we are able to get the land and that is a big difference that will allow us to take that next step," Haddad said.

Marvin Roberson, forest policy specialist for the Michigan Chapter of the Sierra Club, said he believes that the developer's contention of having everything shored up for the theme park are false. Roberson said he believes

that state officials have put enough time and energy into the proposal and should start looking elsewhere for economic development.

"This guy has led everybody down a primrose path for two years and he has produced nothing," Roberson said. "This has just been a big distraction and now is the time that local and state officials should start looking at the true needs of Crawford County."

Police seize pounds of pot in searches

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detectives, Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies and troopers from the Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police executed two search warrants for suspected drug dealing. The search warrants were executed simultaneously on two residences in Beaver Creek Township in Crawford County.

During the searches, police

seized approximately three pounds of marijuana, distribution materials and weapons. No arrests were made at the time of the searches.

The investigation is ongoing,

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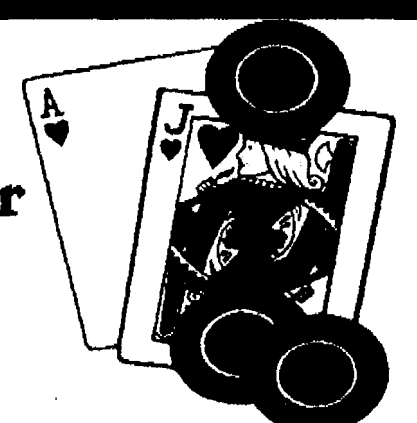
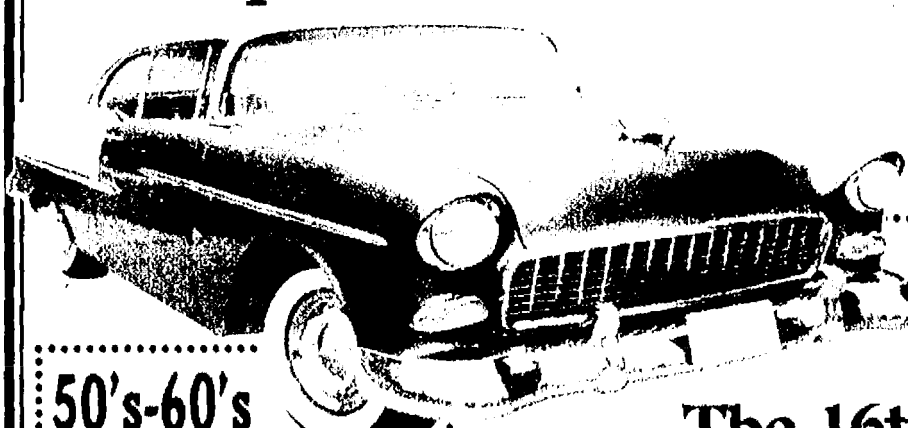
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SCHEDULE FOR OPENING WEEKS OF SCHOOL

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Notice

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 - All school offices will be closed from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All school employees will be in general school district meetings.

Daily Time Schedules

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IF "A" LUNCH

A Lunch	10:37-11:02
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B Lunch	11:54-12:19

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2008 - 2009 CALENDAR

August 26-28, 2008	Teacher Organizational Meetings
September 2	School Opens for All Students
October 8	Parent/Teacher Conferences (HS) Conference Hours: 3:30pm - 6:30pm (Full day of school for students)
November 5	Parent/Teacher Conferences (MS, GE, AP) Conference Hours: 3:30pm - 6:30pm (Students and HS staff 1/2 day)
November 6	Parent/Teacher Conferences (MS, GE, AP) Conference Hours: 1:00pm - 4:00pm (Students and HS staff 1/2 day)
November 12	Staff Professional Development - NO SCHOOL
November 21	End of First Trimester
November 27 and 28	Thanksgiving Vacation - NO SCHOOL
December 22	Winter Vacation Begins
January 5, 2009	School Resumes
January 21	Parent/Teacher Conferences (HS) Conference Hours: 3:30pm - 6:30pm (Full day of school for students)
February 13	Staff Professional Development - NO SCHOOL
February 16	Mid Winter Break - NO SCHOOL
March 6	End of Second Trimester - Students 1/2 day Teacher Records P.M.
March 18	Parent/Teacher Conferences (MS, GE, AP) Conference Hours: 1:00pm - 4:00pm (Students and HS staff 1/2 day)
April 3	Spring Vacation Begins - NO SCHOOL
April 13	Schools Resumes
April 22	Parent/Teacher Conferences (HS) Conference Hours: 3:30pm - 6:30pm (Full day of school for students)
May 25	Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL
June 5	Last Day of School - Students 1/2 day Teacher Records P.M.

2008-2009 Bus Routes

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DOG - 6-Mile 6:30, Old 27/7-Mile 6:40, West Fletcher 6:45, Oak 7:00, Fox Run 7:15, King 7:25, Beaver 7:35.

ELEPHANT - Staley Lake 6:35, Stephan Bridge 6:45, Shaw Park 7:05, North Down 7:15, Mobile Estates 7:30.

FROG - Waters 6:48, Roberts Rd. 6:52, Bradford Lake Hills 7:00, Mt. Frederic 7:12, Old 27 to Frederic 7:20 to 7:30, Frederic Elementary 7:35.

RABBIT - Brown/Co Rd 6:12 7:08, Kolka Creek Rd. 7:12, Cameron Bridge Rd. 7:17, Kolka Creek 7:20, Hulbert Rd. 7:25, Brown/Center 7:30, May Lake 7:33, Sand Hill 7:38, Batterson 7:40, Wellington Way/Banbury 7:59.

ELMER FUDD - M-93 6:30, Bear Lake 6:34, White Rd 6:38, Sherman 6:44, Babbitt 6:58, Feldhauser 7:05, Co Rd 6:12 7:13, Roberts Rd., 7:26, Frederic School, HS Suzanne 7:55.

WALRUS - S. Grayling Rd. 6:35, Dorr 6:47, Oak 6:53, Fletcher 7:02, 7 Mile 7:10, S. Grayling 7:14, Old 27 7:22, 5 Mile 7:24.

ZEBRA - Evergreen 6:55, Pine Point Rd. 6:59, Old Dam 7:06, Little John 7:13, Robinhood 7:17, Nottingham 7:21, Margrethe Blvd. 7:27, Whales Way 7:36.

TIGGER - Ox Bow 6:46, Connors Flat 6:55, Wakeley Bridge 7:05, Kelm Way 7:12, Horseshoe Tr. 7:15 Pappy's Tr. 7:20, Clearwaters 7:30.

GARFIELD - Manistee River 6:35, Goose Creek Rd. 6:48, M-72 West 6:49, N. Forest Trail 6:50, River View 7:00, Arrowhead 7:13, McIntyre Landing 7:20, Battalion 7:30.

LION - Old 612 6:10, Twin Bridge 6:25, 612 & Lovell's Rd. 6:40, Timber Lane 7:00, North Down 7:13.

MOUSE - AuSable Trail 6:50, Wendy Lane 6:52, Walnut Plaisance 6:55, Eagle Point 7:09, Danish Landing 7:14, Old Lake Rd. 7:28, Glenn 7:37, Clough Sub. 7:46.

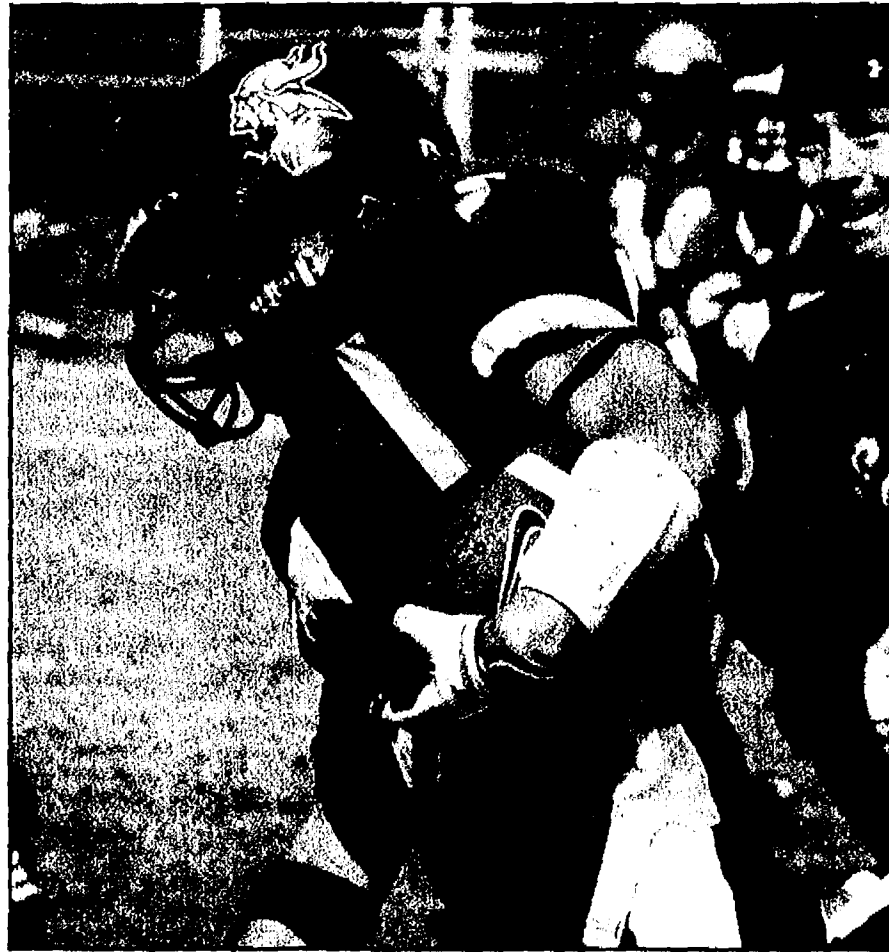
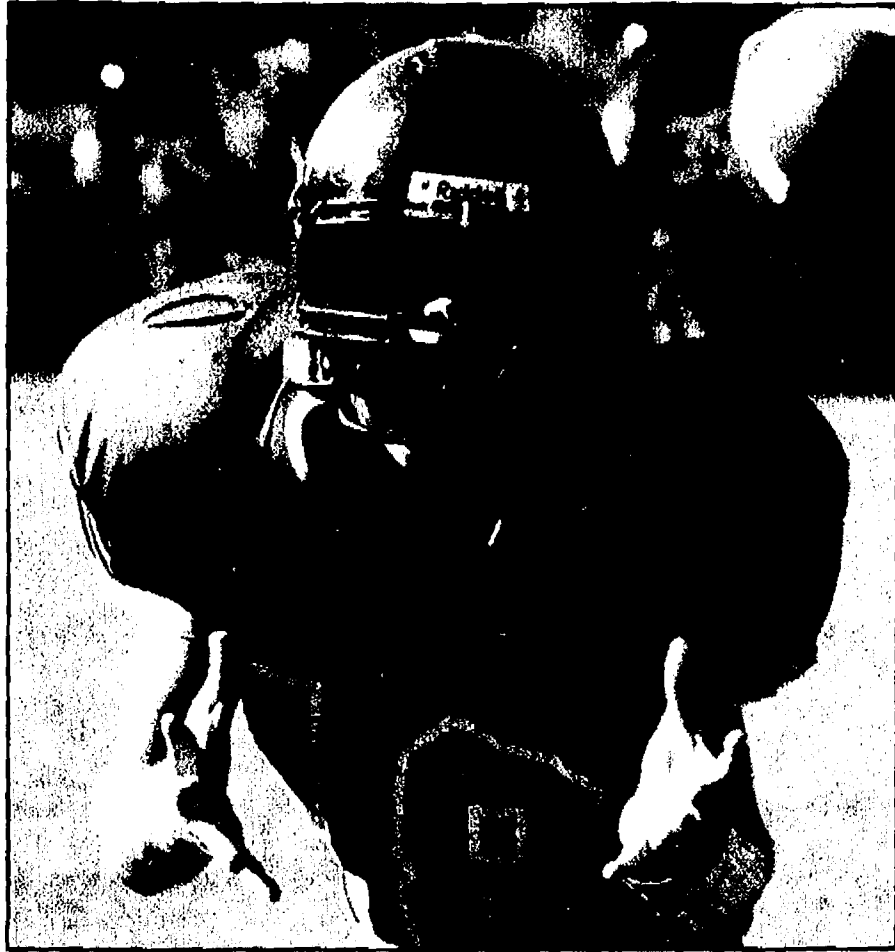
PIG - Bobcat Trail 7:10, Jones Lake Rd 7:20, Wilcox Bridge 7:30, M-93 Trailer Park 7:35.

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"Growing ... to Greatness"



Wide receiver Justin Farnsworth, left, catches a pass during a drill at last Thursday's varsity football practice. Running back Dustin Russo, center, carries the ball for the Vikings during Thursday's practice. Quarterback Jimmy Osga, right, throws a pass during practice on Thursday, Aug. 14.

Vikings aim for back-to-back playoff berths with senior-heavy group

Varsity football team to play at Roscommon in season opener

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's varsity football team started its official practices last Monday, and the squad will open its 2008 season with a nonconference game at Roscommon next Thursday.

This year's team will feature a mix of seniors, juniors, and sophomores.

"We lost 16 seniors from last year, three all-stars. This year, again, we'll be senior-heavy. We have 18 seniors," Coach Ben Brock said. "This group is going to have to mature early and make plays. We only have four kids total who started last year at any position."

"The good news is, this is a solid unit that's played together for a long time and had success on JV two years ago," Coach Brock said. "It's going to need to be a group that comes together. Their success will be determined by how they mesh and who really becomes effective leaders for us."

The team's four captains this year will be: Jimmy Osga (senior quarterback), Spencer Dean (senior linebacker and tight end), Geo Bindschatel (senior linebacker and wide receiver), and Mike Davis (senior offensive

lineman).

According to Coach Brock, the squad's primary skill position players will also include Eric Ferrigan (senior wide receiver), Justin Farnsworth (senior wide receiver), Dustin Russo (senior running back), Tyler Steffey (senior wide receiver), Tyler Hanson (junior running back), Cody Myers (sophomore wide receiver), and Zach Wolcott (sophomore back-up quarterback).

In addition to Myers and Wolcott, three other sophomores — Ryan Teeple, Jake Helsel, and Ethan Lewis — are expected to contribute to the varsity squad this year.

This year's offensive line will include Mike Davis (a three-year varsity starter), Alex Gabriel, Ryan Foguth, Weston Willoughby, Jacob Aubry, and Ross Teeple.

The defensive line will include Matt Haight, Lewis, Ross Teeple, Aubry, and Craig Gabriel. The linebacking corps will include Bindschatel (a three-year varsity starter), Dean, and Helsel. Defensive backs will include Ferrigan, Farnsworth, Wolcott, Myers, and Steffey.

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Photos by Caleb Casey

Grayling linemen push the sled at practice on Friday, Aug. 15, under the guidance of Assistant Coach Trevor Clough.



Running back Tyler Hanson carries the ball for Grayling during last Friday's practice.



Assistant Coach Tim Sanchez holds up a shoe that receiver Cody Myers wrecked while running a route at last Friday's practice. "I was kind of worried at first when I saw him wearing it like that," Sanchez said. (Myers wasn't injured on the play.) "This just shows you how fast our receivers are."

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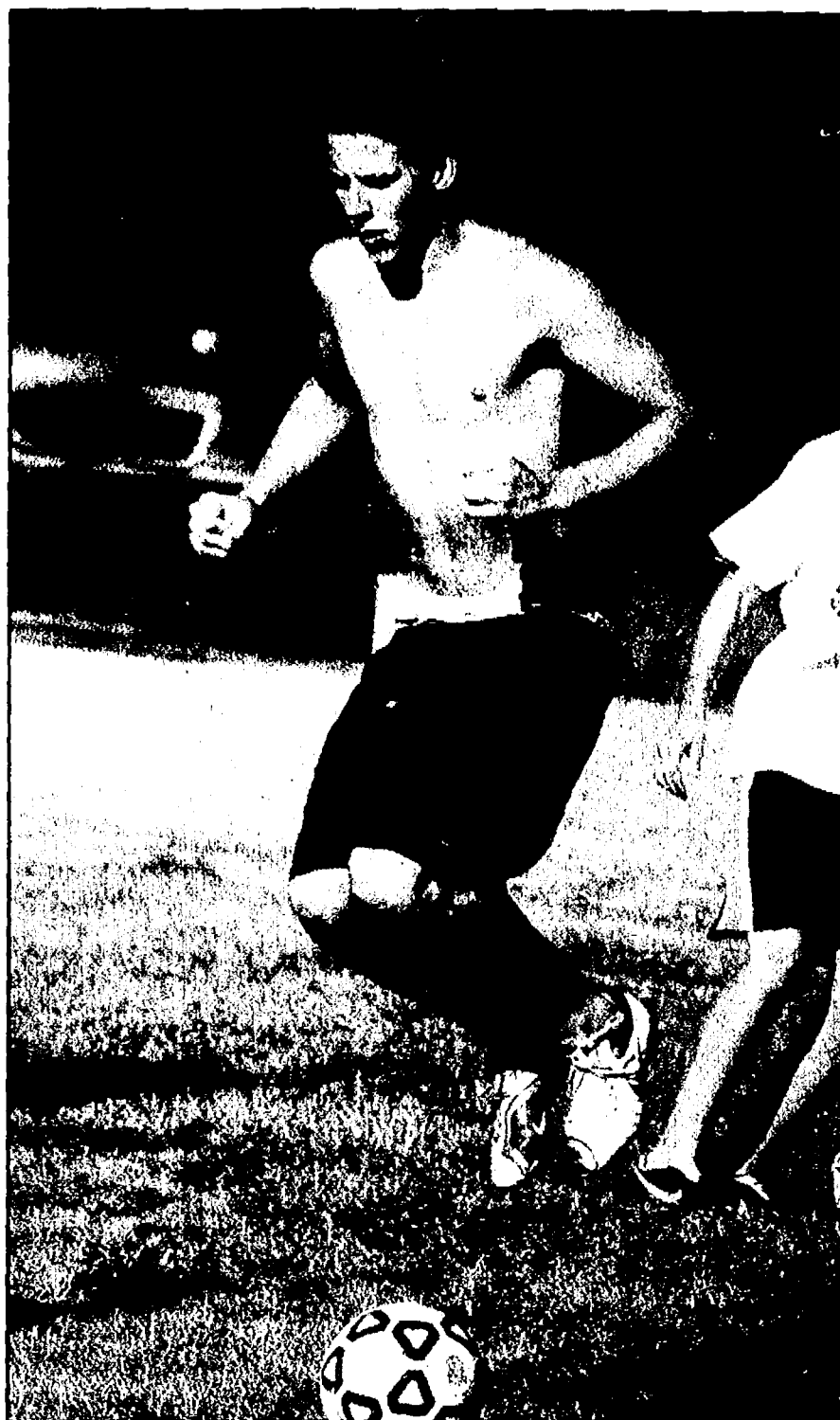
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Mike Olson, left, jumps over a ball during a practice drill on Thursday, Aug. 14. John Lennon, right, controls the ball during an offense vs. defense drill on Thursday.

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Soccer team will have seven returning starters this year

Vikings to host Standish Sterling on Thursday

by Caleb Casey
 Senior Staff Writer

This year's Grayling High School boys soccer team will have a lot of depth and one of the most experienced group of starters in recent years.

The squad, which began its official practices last Monday, has more than 20 players, including several returning starters.

"I expect we'll have about 24 players. They're upperclassmen, most of them. We have seven returning starters that are juniors this year, so we have a more experienced team than we've had in the past few years," Coach Craig Cobb said.

Cobb said the team's biggest strengths this year will be "drive - they're very driven," and "passing and midfield play."

Cobb said many of his players are not multi-sport athletes - they only play soccer - which adds to their drive for the upcoming season.

"This is the sport they're most attached to. This is the sport they love," Coach Cobb said. "We have a large number of players like that - they're not spread out through a lot of different sports."

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Ashten Linkhart dribbles the ball for the Vikings during last Thursday's varsity soccer practice.

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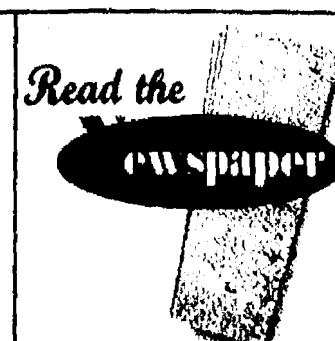
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Peter Alexander, left, hops over a ball during a drill at last Thursday's varsity boys soccer practice. Brady Coe, right, dribbles the ball at practice on Thursday morning.

Soccer team will have seven returning starters this year

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"A lot of them have played on spring travel teams. That's been an advantage, a real positive for this year, getting practice in the spring," Coach Cobb said.

The Vikings open their 2008 season with a home game against Standish Sterling on Thursday, Aug. 21, at 5 p.m.

"The goal for this year is to dominate each game with our passing and movement when we don't have the ball," Coach Cobb said. "I expect that since we have more experience on the field we should have more control. I'm very happy we have a lot of hard-working, character-driven players on the team, which makes my job a lot

easier."

Defense and scoring are two areas that are possible question marks early in the season, Coach Cobb said.

"We have a young defense, kind of half and half, with some experience. We're going to be facing some teams that have a hard offensive attack," Coach Cobb said. "I don't know who's

going to be our scorer, who's going to put the ball in the back of the net, who's going to step into that role."

"But I'm really excited and anxious to get the season started. I'm looking forward to seeing the effect of our youth program and the effort we've been putting into practice at the varsity level," Coach Cobb said.



Colin Hamlin drives the ball towards the goal during a drill at practice on Thursday, Aug. 14.

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Vikings aim for back-to-back playoff berths with senior-heavy group

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"Johnny Cochrane attended all the summer weight lifting sessions," Coach Brock said. "Jacob Myers and Dustin List are seniors that could also be contributors this year."

Brock's coaching staff also includes Tim Sanchez (wide receivers and defensive backs) and Trevor Clough (offensive line and defensive line), an all-league football player for GHS in 2004.

The Vikings will compete in a four-team scrimmage event at Shepherd on Friday, Aug. 22. Grayling - both the JV and varsity squads - will play against teams from Clare, Shepherd, and Lakeview.

"We'll find out pretty quick if we can play some ball this year. It will be a good test for us," Coach Brock said.

"The senior group has put in a lot of time in the weight room. They went to 7-on-7 passing jams. We had a team camp and a conditioning camp. The guys have done a great job volunteering their time at Relay For Life and other community projects," Coach Brock said.

"We changed our scheme offensively and defensively from years past to adapt to our personnel," Coach Brock said. "This is a very intelligent group, so we've been able to implement a lot more than we thought we would."

The Vikings will open their 2008 season with a nonconference rivalry game at Roscommon High School on Thursday, Aug. 28, at 7 p.m.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Grayling linemen work on blocking and pass rushing during last Thursday's varsity football practice at GHS.

"As far as the season goes, we'll have a good test in week one vs. Roscommon," Coach Brock said. "The four spoiler games this year will be: a real big test with Houghton Lake in week two, Elk Rapids in week five, and then (Traverse City) St. Francis and Boyne (City)."

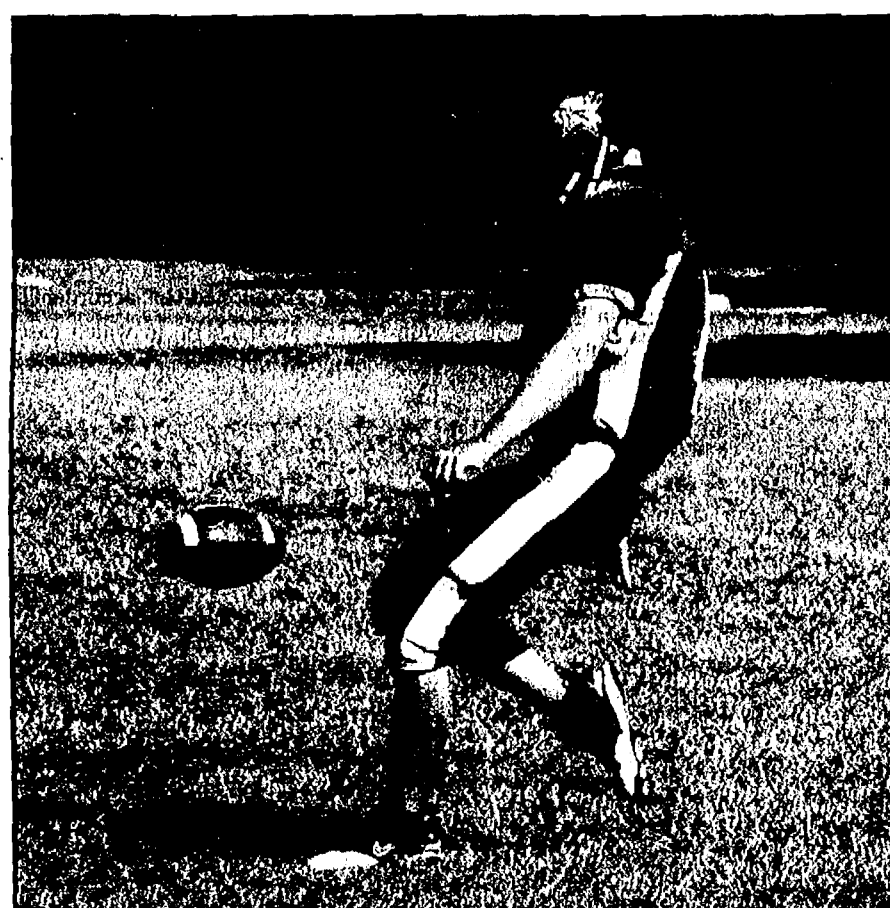
High school football teams in Michigan need six victories for an automatic playoff berth. Most schools play a nine-game schedule, so four losses will put most teams out of playoff contention.

"Since we joined the Lake Michigan Conference, we've never finished any lower than third. It's always our goal to compete for a league title. Our even greater goal is to get back in the playoffs. If we were to get back in the playoffs, it would be the fifth time in six years."

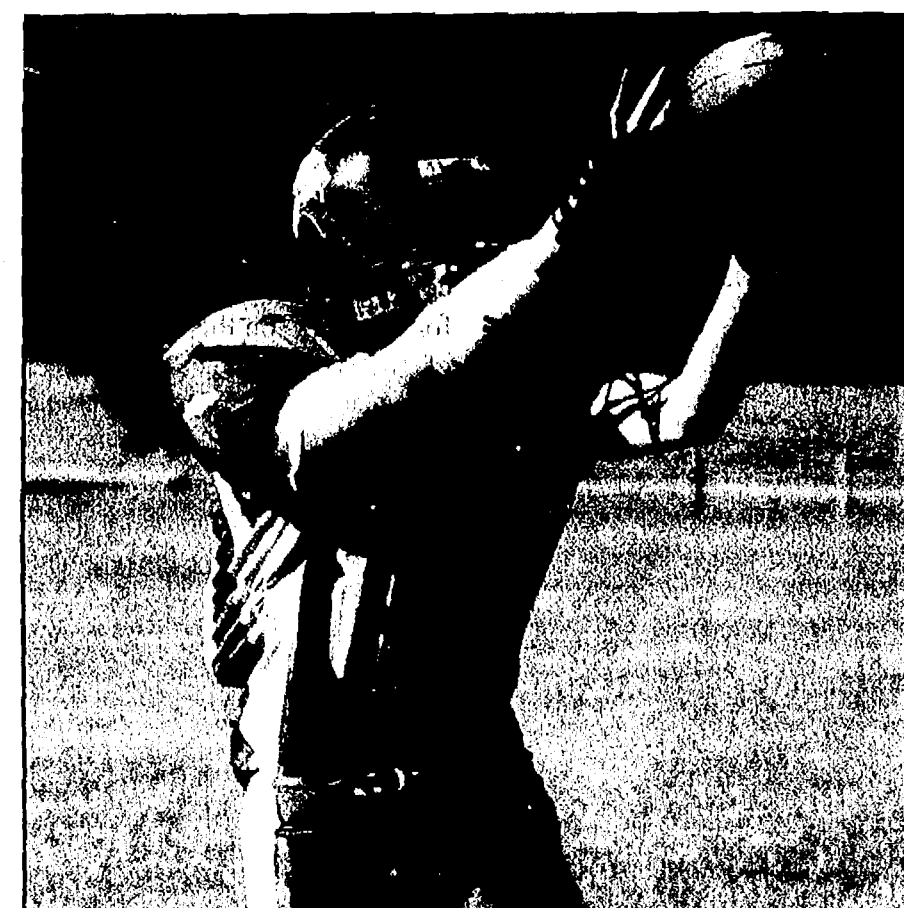
The Vikings posted a 7-2 record in 2007, losing only to Elk Rapids and TCSF. In the playoffs, Grayling lost 14-2 at Elk Rapids. The Vikings did not qualify for the playoffs in 2006.

They finished the year at 5-4. Grayling posted three consecutive playoff appearances in 2005, 2004, and 2003, including a district championship in 2005.

"As always, we're real excited about being able to coach these kids and the success their toughness brings," Coach Brock said. "We have a great group of parents. They will be tailgating before every home and away game. Our spirit club does a great job getting everything set up."



Jordan Helsel, left, punts a ball during last Friday's football practice. Andy Wyman, right, catches a pass during practice on Thursday, Aug. 14.



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Thursday Ladies League

The standings for Thursday, August 14, are as follows.

In Flight 1, the wins were Upton and Ferguson with 36, K. Freer and Longendyke with 34, Marshall and Hall with 33, Ostling and J. McKindles with 32, Gust and Griffin with 30 and Baetens and Bradley with 24. K.

Freer had a low net score of 32 and a birdie on hole #5. Upton had a birdie on hole #4.

In Flight 2, Finkbeiner and DiPonio had a score of 48, DeMassa and Willikins had 30.5, Lederman and Bailey had 30, Baker and Baldwin had 30, Coors and B. Freer had 25.5 and Sullivan and M. McKindles had

25. Coors had a low net score of 30 and a birdie on hole #7. B. Freer and Baker both had birdies on hole #7.

In Flight 3, the team of Patchin and Deloge came in with 41, Koutnik and Summerix with 40, Kelsey and Funkey with 34, Hess and Spangler with 29, Hanson and Walper with 21 and Nester and Close with 21. Kelsey had a low net score of 31.

On Saturday, Aug. 9, Jody Coors had a hole-in-one on hole #15, a par 3, while playing Ladies Match Play with Sue Hanson.

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GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

Submitted by Donna Thomson Wednesday Ladies League

Our ladies league has certainly had some gorgeous weather the past few weeks that made our play more enjoyable, and today, Wednesday, Aug. 13, was no exception.

The actual league play is over and today our golf committee put together a fun scramble in which we had to use three drives from each player. It worked out great as we had teams of three with an A, B and C flight player. It is more fair all the way around.

Coming in first place was the team of Kay Ellen King, Jeanette Kitchen and Gloria Neilson with a score of 40.

In second place, with a score of 42, was the team of Juanita Brown, Rhea Gierke and Marilyn Hartman.

There was also a prize for the

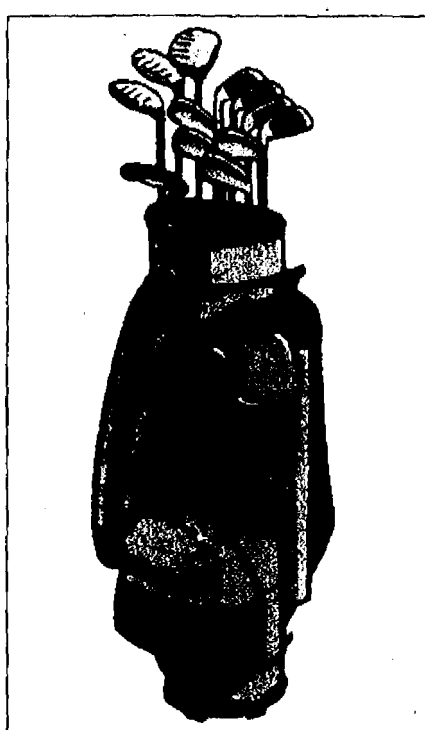
longest putt on hole #9 and that was won by Juanita Brown.

After the prizes were awarded, we had a nice lunch of chicken, bacon and swiss with lettuce and tomato on a bun, with chips and a side, or a choice off the menu. It's nice to have choices.

Then, Sandy Winkle, head of the nominating committee, stated that she has a full slate compiled and we will have the election of officers next week.

President Nancy Glasslee then announced that Lynda Hetrick would not be able to chair next year's "Rally" outing, so be thinking of how you can help, volunteer or spearhead this big event.

On our course this year, we have had such a large gaggle of geese, and awhile back we saw one with a wounded wing that he was dragging along. I haven't



seen it lately, so I hope the DNR helped it out and that it didn't become food for the hungry fox that is all over.

Until next week, that's all "fore" now.

LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

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SYNOPSIS SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP AUGUST 12, 2008 REGULAR BOARD MEETING UNAPPROVED

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Luck, Kozlowski, George, Janisse and Musselman.
Absent: None.
Pledge of Allegiance
Public comment heard.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by George, to accept agenda with addition as requested. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by George, to accept consent agenda, July Regular Meeting Minutes, with changes, bills and invoices paid, and projected bills for August, and the Treasurer's Report as presented. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Musselman, to support the Resolution and loan paperwork received from Chase Bank, on the pumper/tanker and submit to the Township attorney for review. Roll call: Janisse: Aye. Musselman: Aye. Luck: Aye. Kozlowski: Aye. George: Aye. Ayes: 5 Nays: 0. Motion passed.

Motion by Musselman, and seconded by George, to approve the

purchase of 21 LED Flashlights at \$945.00, and 8 Reflective Vests at \$390.00 for the Fire/EMS Department, and to start the process of setting up a Lock Box system. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by Janisse, to accept for payment the invoice from the Township attorney in the amount of \$581.30. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Musselman, to approve for payment the invoice in the amount of \$13,420.15 from Roy Simmons & Sons Well Drilling for work completed on the Cemetery Water Project. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by Luck, to use the services of GEO Landscaping, in conjunction with volunteer labor, for the work on this year's phase of the Tree Project in Pioneer Cemetery. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Luck, to approve for payment the invoice from John Hancock in the amount of \$859.54. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Motion passed.

Public comment heard.
Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

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Notice is also given to Mortgage America, Inc., c/o Thomas P. Laporte, whose address is P.O. Box 817, Bay City, MI 48707, with a copy to Mortgage America Inc., 305 Fifth Street, Bay City, MI 48708, and the First National Bank of

Chicago as Trustee whose address is One First National Plaza, Suite D125, Chicago, IL 60670-0125, that a mortgage dated August 30, 1998 and recorded October 13, 1998 in Liber 465, Pages 335, 336, 337 & 338 at the Crawford County Register of Deeds could be terminated as a result of this sale. This includes a Corporation Assignment of Real Estate Mortgage dated August 30, 1998 and recorded May 23, 1999 in Liber 482, Page 232 at the Crawford County Register of Deeds.

Notice is also given to Crawford County Housing Commission whose address is 203 Huron Street, Grayling, MI 49738, that a mortgage dated September 17, 2003 and recorded on September 18, 2003 in Liber 652, Pages 523 and 524 at the Crawford County Register of Deeds could be terminated as a result of this sale.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged property, or some part thereof, at public venue, at Crawford County Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on **AUGUST 27, 2008**.

Said premises are situated in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as follows:

Lot 2 and the East 78.95 feet of Lot 4, Clough's Highland Acres, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 65, Crawford County, MI.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale unless the property is abandoned, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale or abandonment, if abandonment occurs after sale.

Dated: July 17, 2008
David L. Porteous
Attorney for Mortgagee
MCCURDY, WOTILA &
PORTEOUS, P.C.
4393-220th Avenue,
P.O. Box 206
Reed City, MI 49677
TELEPHONE: (231) 832-3231
-31-7-14-21

MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Aaron S. Blaine and Joann D. Blaine, husband and wife, to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated July 17, 2003 and

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recorded August 21, 2003 in Liber 648, Page 584, and an Affidavit of Scrivener's Error to correct legal was recorded 01/30/2007 in Liber 685, Page 79, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. Bank National Association as Successor Corporate Trustee to Wachovia Bank, NA by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Four and 16/100 Dollars (\$83,164.16) including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on **SEPTEMBER 10, 2008**.

Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: West 200 feet of South one-half of South one-half of Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of, Section 23, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.324(1), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: August 7, 2008
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
248-502-1400 File No. 209.4050
-7-14-21-28

MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Donald H. Gillett and Christiane B. Gillett, husband and wife, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 5, 2006 and recorded June 7, 2006 in Liber 681, Page

847, Crawford County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Seven and 46/100 Dollars (\$36,467.46) including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on **SEPTEMBER 3, 2008**.

Said premises are located in the Township of Lovell, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

A parcel of land being part of the West one-half of the East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 26, Town 27 North, Range 1 West, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the North one-quarter corner of said Section 26; thence North 88 degrees 29 minutes 48 seconds West, along the North line of said Section, 326.58 feet to the place of beginning; thence South 00 degrees 29 minutes 11 seconds East 200.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 29 minutes 48 seconds West 207.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 29 minutes 11 seconds West 200.00 feet to the North line of said section; thence South 88 degrees 29 minutes 48 seconds East, along said North line, 207.00 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to the right-of-way for Big Creek Road over the Northerly 33 feet thereof.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.324(1), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: July 31, 2008
Orlans Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for Servicer
P.O. Box 5041
Troy, MI 48007-5041
File No. 285.4787
-31-7-14-21

MORTGAGE SALE

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Crawford AuSable School District provides free and appropriate public special education programs and services to all individuals with disabilities under the age of twenty-six. If you suspect your child may need special education programming, please contact your local school district representative.

If you suspect your child has a disability, and he/she attends a private (religious) school, or is enrolled in a home school registered with the State of Michigan, you may contact the local school district in which the school building is located.

If your child with a suspected disability is of preschool age, you may contact the local elementary school principal, or Early On® at 989-275-9537.

After contacting your local school official, you may be asked to attend an Individualized Educational Planning Team Evaluation Committee Meeting to receive input from you and determine which evaluation services would be appropriate.

Grayling High School
989-344-3504

Grayling Middle School
989-344-3550

Grayling Elementary School
989-344-3600

AuSable Primary School
989-344-3650

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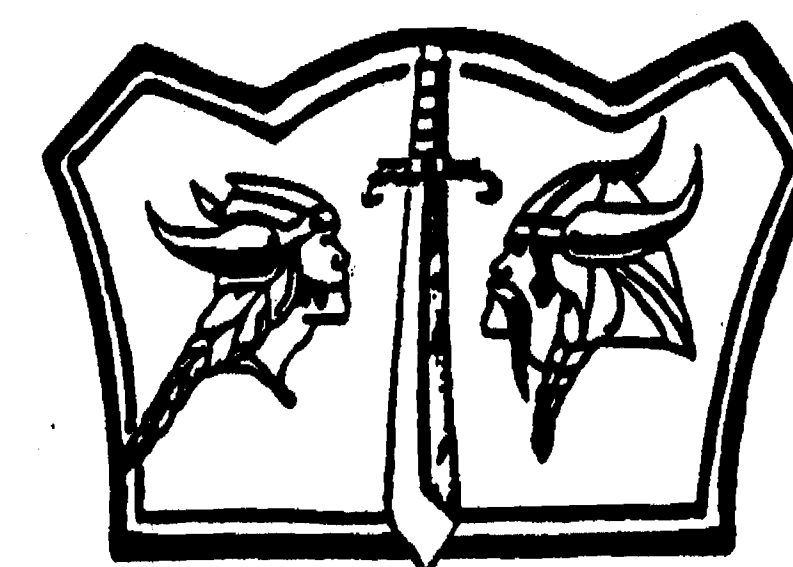
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Varsity Football

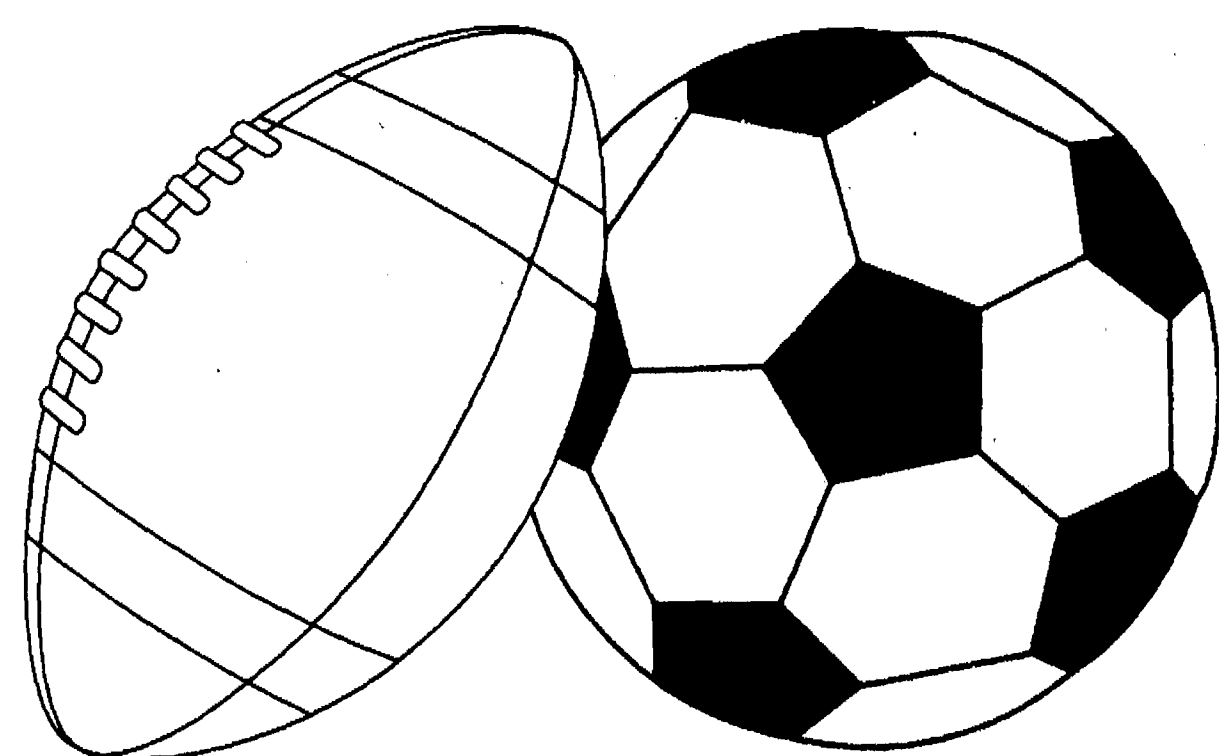
Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Thursday	August 28, 2008	Roscommon	A	7:00	5:30
Friday	September 5, 2008	Houghton Lake	H	7:00	
Friday	September 12, 2008	Charlevoix	A	7:00	4:30
Friday	September 19, 2008	East Jordan	H	7:00	
Friday	September 26, 2008	Elk Rapids	A	7:00	5:00
Friday	October 3, 2008	Harbor Springs	A	7:00	4:30
Friday	October 10, 2008	Kalkaska - HOMECOMING	H	7:00	
Friday	October 17, 2008	Traverse City St. Francis	H	7:00	
Friday	October 24, 2008	Boyer City	A	7:00	5:00

Junior Varsity Football

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	August 27, 2008	Roscommon	H	6:00	
Thursday	September 4, 2008	Houghton Lake	A	6:30	5:00
Thursday	September 11, 2008	Charlevoix	H	6:00	
Thursday	September 18, 2008	East Jordan	A	6:00	4:00
Thursday	September 25, 2008	Elk Rapids	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 2, 2008	Harbor Springs	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 9, 2008	Kalkaska	A	6:00	4:30
Thursday	October 16, 2008	Traverse City St. Francis	A	6:00	4:00
Thursday	October 23, 2008	Boyer City	H	6:00	

Boys Soccer

Day	Event Date	Bus Opponent	H/A	Time	Time
Thursday	August 21, 2008	Standish Sterling	H	5:00	
Monday	August 25, 2008	Charlevoix	A	5:00	2:00
Tuesday	August 26, 2008	Roscommon	A	5:00	3:30
Thursday	August 28, 2008	Boyer City	A	5:00	3:00
Tuesday	September 2, 2008	Kalkaska	H	5:00	
Thursday	September 4, 2008	Harbor Springs	H	5:00	
Thursday	September 11, 2008	East Jordan	A	5:00	3:00
Monday	September 15, 2008	Elk Rapids	A	5:00	3:00
Tuesday	September 16, 2008	Kalkaska	A	5:00	3:15
Thursday	September 18, 2008	Charlevoix	H	5:00	
Monday	September 22, 2008	Boyer City	H	5:00	
Wednesday	September 24, 2008	Lincoln Alcona	A	5:00	TBA
Thursday	September 25, 2008	Standish Sterling	A	5:00	2:00
Tuesday	September 30, 2008	Harbor Springs	A	5:00	2:00
Thursday	October 2, 2008	Ogemaw Heights	A	5:00	2:30
Monday	October 6, 2008	East Jordan	H	5:00	
Wednesday	October 8, 2008	Houghton Lake	A	5:00	3:15
Thursday	October 9, 2008	Elk Rapids	H	5:00	
Monday	October 13, 2008	Districts	H	5:00	
Wednesday	October 15, 2008	Districts	H	5:00	
Saturday	October 18, 2008	Districts	H	5:00	



Varsity Volleyball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	August 27, 2008	Roscommon Tournament	A	9:00	8:00
Wednesday	September 3, 2008	Charlevoix/TC St. Francis	H	6:00	
Thursday	September 11, 2008	East Jordan	H	6:00	
Wednesday	September 17, 2008	Onaway	A	6:00	3:45
Thursday	September 18, 2008	Elk Rapids	H	6:00	
Tuesday	September 23, 2008	Harbor Springs	A	6:00	3:45
Thursday	September 25, 2008	Kalkaska	H	6:00	
Saturday	September 27, 2008	Grayling Invitational (Central Lake, Forest Area, H. Lake, Kingsley)	H	8:00	
Thursday	October 2, 2008	Boyer City	A	6:00	4:00
Saturday	October 4, 2008	Northwood	A	6:00	3:00
Thursday	October 7, 2008	TCSE/Charlevoix	A	6:00	4:00
Thursday	October 9, 2008	East Jordan	A	6:00	4:00
Tuesday	October 14, 2008	Elk Rapids/Boyer City	A	6:00	4:00
Thursday	October 16, 2008	Harbor Springs	H	6:00	
Tuesday	October 21, 2008	Kalkaska	H	6:00	4:30
Saturday	October 25, 2008	Boyer Invitational	A	8:30	6:30
Monday	October 27, 2008	Houghton Lake/Ogemaw	A	6:00	4:30
Tuesday	November 4, 2008	Districts	A	TBA	TBA
Thursday	November 6, 2008	Districts	A	TBA	TBA
Friday	November 7, 2008	Districts	A	TBA	TBA
Saturday	November 8, 2008	Districts	A	TBA	TBA

Underline denotes site of away meet

Junior Varsity Volleyball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	September 3, 2008	Charlevoix/TC St. Francis	A	6:00	4:00
Saturday	September 6, 2008	Boyer Invitational	A	9:00	7:00
Thursday	September 11, 2008	East Jordan	H	6:00	
Wednesday	September 17, 2008	Onaway	A	6:00	3:45
Thursday	September 18, 2008	Elk Rapids	H	6:00	
Saturday	September 20, 2008	Kalkaska Invitational	A	9:00	8:00
Tuesday	September 23, 2008	Harbor Springs	A	6:00	3:45
Thursday	September 25, 2008	Kalkaska	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 2, 2008	Boyer City	A	6:00	4:00
Tuesday	October 7, 2008	TCSE/Charlevoix	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 9, 2008	East Jordan	A	6:00	4:00
Tuesday	October 14, 2008	Elk Rapids/Boyer City	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 16, 2008	Harbor Springs	H	6:00	
Tuesday	October 21, 2008	Kalkaska	A	6:00	4:30
Saturday	October 25, 2008	Gaylord Invitational	A	8:30	7:30
Monday	October 27, 2008	Houghton Lake/Ogemaw	H	6:00	

Middle School Volleyball

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	September 8, 2008	Traverse City St. Elizabeth	A	4:30	2:45
Wednesday	September 10, 2008	Elk Rapids	H	5:00	
Monday	September 15, 2008	East Jordan	A	4:30	2:45
Wednesday	September 17, 2008	Boyer City	H	5:00	
Monday	September 22, 2008	Kalkaska	A	5:00	4:00
Wednesday	September 24, 2008	Harbor Springs	H	5:00	
Monday	September 29, 2008	Charlevoix	A	5:00	2:30
Wednesday	October 1, 2008	Elk Rapids	A	4:30	2:45
Monday	October 6, 2008	Traverse City St. Elizabeth	H	5:00	
Wednesday	October 8, 2008	Kalkaska	H	5:00	

Freshman Volleyball

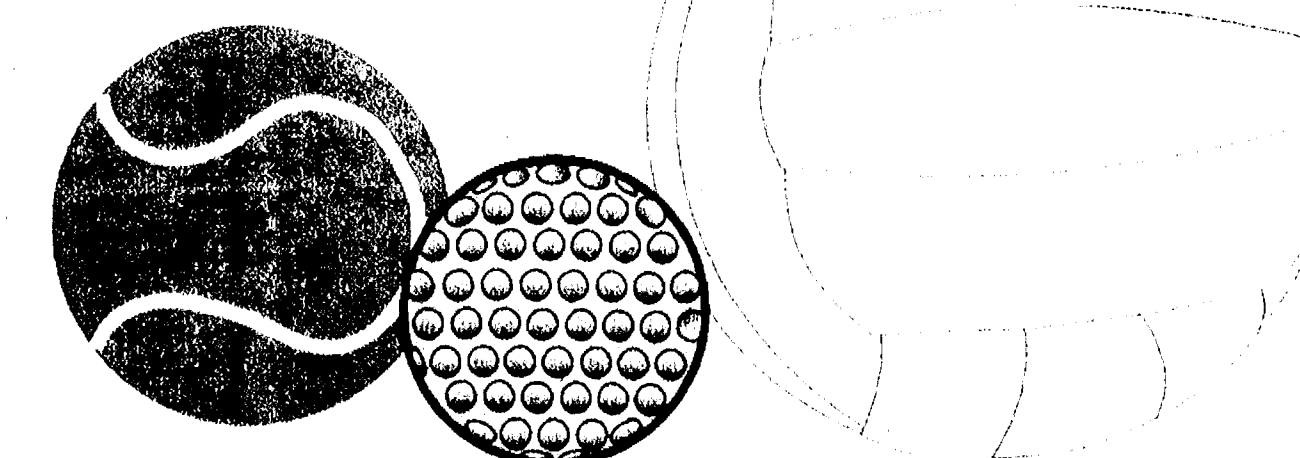
Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Wednesday	September 3, 2008	Charlevoix/TC St. Francis	A	6:00	4:00
Saturday	September 6, 2008	Boyer Invitational	A	9:00	7:00
Thursday	September 11, 2008	East Jordan	H	6:00	
Thursday	September 18, 2008	Elk Rapids	H	6:00	
Thursday	September 23, 2008	Harbor Springs	A	6:00	3:45
Thursday	September 25, 2008	Kalkaska	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 2, 2008	Boyer City	A	6:00	4:00
Tuesday	October 7, 2008	TCSE/Charlevoix	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 9, 2008	East Jordan	A	6:00	4:00
Tuesday	October 14, 2008	Elk Rapids/Boyer City	H	6:00	
Thursday	October 16, 2008	Harbor Springs	H	6:00	
Tuesday	October 21, 2008	Kalkaska	A	6:00	4:30
Thursday	October 23, 2008	Lake City	H	6:00	
Saturday	October 25, 2008	Gaylord Invitational	A	8:30	7:30
Monday	October 27, 2008	Houghton Lake/Ogemaw	A	6:00	TBA

Tennis

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	August 18, 2008	Boyer City/TCSE	A	11:00	9:00
Tuesday	August 26, 2008	Traverse City St. Francis	H	4:30	
Thursday	August 28, 2008	Alpena	A	5:00	1:45
Tuesday	September 2, 2008	Elk Rapids	H	4:30	
Tuesday	September 9, 2008	Charlevoix	A	4:30	2:30
Thursday	September 11, 2008	Petoskey	H	4:00	
Friday	September 12, 2008	Boyer Invitational	A	9:00	7:00
Thursday	September 18, 2008	Alpena	H	5:00	
Tuesday	September 23, 2008	Harbor Springs	A	4:30	2:00
Tuesday	September 30, 2008	Petoskey	A	4:00	2:00
Thursday	October 2, 2008	LMC Championship	A	TBA	TBA
Thursday	October 9, 2008	Regionals	A	TBA	TBA

Girls Golf

Day	Date	Opponent	H/A	Event Time	Bus Time
Monday	August 25, 2008	Grayling Invitational (Chippewa Hills, Glen Lake, Cheboygan)	H	9:00	
Thursday	September 4, 2008	Grayling Invitational (Alpena, Glen Lake, Harbor)	H	4:00	
Monday	September 8, 2008	Farwell Invitational	A	9:00	
Friday	September 12, 2008	Petoskey (new view)	A	9:00	
Tuesday	September 16, 2008	Alpena Invitational	A	9:00	
Thursday	September 18, 2008	Glen Lake (Mist Wood)	A	4:30	
Friday	September 26, 2008	TC Central Invitational (TC Country Club)	A	9:00	
Monday	September 29, 2008	Cheboygan Invitational	A	10:00	
Monday	October 6, 2008	Harbor Springs (Boyer Moore)	A	4:30	
Thursday	October 9-11-13	Regionals	A	TBA	



LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

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ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Great North Investments of Grayling, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, to Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, dated July 18, 2005, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on August 2, 2005, in Liber 676, Page(s) 482, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$723,492.59, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Great North Investments of Grayling, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, to Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, together with interest at 7.90 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on September 17, 2008 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF GRAYLING, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, STATE OF MICHIGAN IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

UNITS NO. 67 AND 68, D & K CONDOMINIUM PHASE IV ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 676, PAGE 130, AS AMENDED, AND DESIGNATED AS CRAWFORD COUNTY CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 17, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN THE GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND THE LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is found to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C.
Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation,

By: H. DOUGLAS SHEPHERD IV (P64560)
Attorneys for Mortgagee
1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817
Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817
(231) 941-9660

Dated: August 11, 2008

14-21-28-4

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Default having occurred in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Great North Investments of Grayling, LLC (a/k/a Great North Investments of Grayling, L.L.C., a Michigan limited liability company) to Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, dated October 27, 2005, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on November 9, 2005, in Liber 678, Page(s) 382, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$723,492.59, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by Great North Investments of Grayling, LLC (a/k/a Great North Investments of Grayling, L.L.C., a Michigan limited liability company) to Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation, together with interest at 7.90 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on September 17, 2008 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclo-

sure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE CITY OF GRAYLING, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, STATE OF MICHIGAN IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

UNIT NO. 1, D & K CONDOMINIUM PHASE I, ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 629, PAGE 106, AS AMENDED, AND DESIGNATED AS CRAWFORD COUNTY CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 12, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN THE GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND THE LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

UNITS NO. 2, 21, 23, 25, D & K CONDOMINIUM PHASE II, ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 643, PAGE 279, AS AMENDED, AND DESIGNATED AS CRAWFORD COUNTY CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 13, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN THE GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND THE LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

EXCEPTING UNIT NO. 21, D & K CONDOMINIUM PHASE II, ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 643, PAGE 279, AS AMENDED, AND DESIGNATED AS CRAWFORD COUNTY CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 13, TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN THE GENERAL COMMON ELEMENTS AND THE LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS AS SHOWN ON THE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is found to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C.
Fifth Third Bank, a Michigan banking corporation,

By: H. DOUGLAS SHEPHERD IV (P64560)
Attorneys for Mortgagee
1241 E. Eighth Street, P.O. Box 5817
Traverse City, Michigan 49696-5817
(231) 941-9660

Dated: August 11, 2008

14-21-28-4

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE BY ADVERTISEMENT OF ABANDONED PROPERTY PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3241(a)

THE PREPARER OF THIS NOTICE IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Patricia Sartin, an unmarried individual, of 704 Chestnut, Grayling, MI 49738, Mortgagor, to Firstbank-West Branch Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated January 2, 2003, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on January 10, 2003, at Liber 615 Page 481, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due hereof the sum of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Nine and 17/100 (\$14,949.17) Dollars including interest at 7.5% percent per annum

As no suit or other legal proceedings have been filed to recover the debt secured by the mortgage; Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan; NOTICE is hereby given that on Wednesday, September 10,

2008, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, in the main entrance of the County Courthouse in Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, of that premises described in the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due in principal and interest on the mortgage and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the Mortgagee to protect its interest in the mortgaged premises described as follows.

Lot 3, Block 13, Hadley's Second Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 10, Crawford County Records, City of Grayling.

The redemption period pursuant to MCL 600.3241(a) shall be thirty days (30) from the date of the sale. During the thirty (30) days immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, unless the mortgagor or anyone claiming under the mortgagor shall comply with the provisions of 1948 MCL 600.3241a (c), in which case the property may be redeemed during the six (6) months immediately following the sale. The property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale plus interest, any unpaid encumbrances on the property, and any advances paid by the Mortgagee. For additional information, contact Danny Gallagher, Firstbank-West Branch, of 502 W. Houghton Ave., PO Box 335, West Branch, Michigan 48661, or the preparer of this Notice.

Dated: July 15, 2008

JUÁREZ & JUÁREZ, PC
Attorneys for Mortgagee
132 South Eighth
West Branch, MI 48661
(989) 345-0601

-7-14-21-28

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by CUSTOM DEVELOPMENT, LLC, of 3274 Riverside Drive, Port Huron, MI 48060 and 5000 Burch Rd., Jeddo, MI 48032, to ROBERTA M. DI ANGELO, of 204 S. Elm, Jackson, MI 48203, dated December 4, 2004, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, in Liber 673 Pages 458 on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest the sum of Four Thousand Thirty-One and 51/100 (\$4,031.51) Dollars, and no proceedings have been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance to the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage thereof will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or such much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on **August 27, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.**, of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with Eight (8%) percent interest, legal costs, attorney's fees, and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit: Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan: Lot 599, UG 6, INDIAN GLENS OF THE AUSABLE, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Pages 1 through 14, Crawford County Records.

Tax Id No. 64-400-000-599-00

The period of redemption will be one (1) year from the date of sale unless determined to be abandoned pursuant to M.C.L.A. 600.3241 (1) whereby the period of redemption shall be thirty (30) days.

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

Dated: 21 July 2008

By: Gerard F. Brabant P31123

Attorney for Mortgagee
241 Lake St., P.O. Box 35
Roscommon, MI 48653
989-275-4365

-31-7-14-21

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Marvin P. Gregory and Deborah L. Gregory, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to National City Mortgage Services Co, Mortgagee, dated November 3, 2003, and recorded on November 18, 2003 in Liber 658 on Page 604, and assigned by said Mortgagee to National City Mortgage Co. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven And 26/100 Dollars (\$85,977.26), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on September 3, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 23 and 24 ROY-L Estates, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 38, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 31, 2008
For more information, please call:
FC F 248.593.1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #213352F01

-31-7-14-21

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Earl E. Simpson, a married man, Violet Simpson, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 18, 2006, and recorded on January 18, 2007 in Liber 684 on Page 937, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and 99/100 Dollars (\$28,099.99), including interest at 8.138% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said

mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on September 3, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 25, Creekview No. 1, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 23, Crawford County Records.

Includes a 2000 Fall Creek Manufactured Home Serial No. FC0123800AB, Certificate No. 350T2960065 C. Permanently affixed on above description

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: July 31, 2008
For more information, please call:
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31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #212900F01

-31-7-14-21

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Harvey Smale, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 2, 2006, and recorded on June 7, 2006 in Liber 681 on Page 859, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to US Bank National Association, as Trustee for Structured Asset Securities Corporation, Series 2004-GEL1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Seven And 17/100 Dollars (\$81,677.17), including interest at 8.8% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on September 10, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land lying in the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 11, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, Commencing at the Northwest corner, thence East along Section line 388 feet, thence South 220 feet, thence West 262 feet, thence South 01 degree 11 minutes 40 seconds West 151.8 feet, thence North 69 degrees 19 minutes 35 seconds West 135.25 feet, thence North 01 degree 15 minutes 50 seconds East on Section line 297.2 feet to point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 7, 2008
For more information, please call:
FC D 248.593.1309
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31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #214966F01

-7-14-21-28

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage, made by Lester Zison Sr. and Mary A. Olson, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 27, 2002, and recorded on January 3, 2003 in Liber 614 on Page 584, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Nine And 79/100 Dollars (\$83,739.79), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on September 24, 2008.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: PARCEL 9: A part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Town 25 North, Range 1 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 35, thence North 0 degrees 13 minutes 01 seconds West along the North-South 1/4 line of said Section 35, 1662.39 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 87 degrees 22 minutes 15 seconds East, 1379.40 feet, thence North 0 degrees 13 minutes 30 seconds West, 318.92 feet, thence North 87 degrees 22 minutes 15 seconds West, 1379.35 feet to said North-South 1/4 line, thence South 0 degrees 13 minutes 01 seconds East along said North-South 1/4 line, 318.92 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: August 21, 2008
For more information, please call:
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Attorneys For Servicer
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #217049F01

-21-28-4-11

KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

Kirtland Community College is accepting proposals for the following services for an annual period of September 1, 2008 through August 30, 2010:

PLUMBING CONTRACTOR: to perform minor plumbing work (jobs that are not expected to exceed \$3,000 in scope) at college facilities.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR, ROSCOMMON CAMPUS: to perform minor electrical work (jobs that are not expected to exceed \$3,000 in scope) at facilities in Roscommon.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR, M-TEC AT KIRTLAND-GAYLORD: to perform minor electrical work (jobs that are not expected to exceed \$3,000 in scope) at facilities in Gaylord.

PAINTING CONTRACTOR: to perform minor painting work (jobs that are not expected to exceed \$3,000 in scope) at college facilities.

Proposals will be received until Thursday, August 28, 2008 at 3:30 p.m. in Kirtland Community College's facilities management office at which time they will be opened and publicly read. All proposals must be submitted on the official bid sheet, available in the facilities management office in the Art/Maintenance Building at 10775 N. St. Helen Road, Roscommon, MI or by calling 989-275-5000, ext. 263 during regular business hours. The college reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and/or re-bid the projects. Proposals must remain firm for a period of thirty days after the official bid opening.

Any questions regarding this project should be directed to JoAnn Comerford, Director of Facilities Management at 989-275-5000, ext. 249.

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP

LARGE ITEM DAY

SATURDAY

September 20, 2008

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 5 p.m.

This service will be available at both the Pioneer and McMasters Refuse Sites.

ITEMS ALLOWED: Household furnishings (tables, chairs, sofas, mattresses, etc.)

ITEMS NOT ALLOWED: Yard waste, building materials or hazardous liquid/materials.

MUST HAVE A 2008 PERMIT TO ENTER

Note: In order for more residents to take advantage of this service, the Township Board has set a limit of (1) one drop off load per Permit.

The Township reserves the right to refuse improper items, or items in excess.

Note: This is a costly service, provided to permit holders of South Branch Township, and should not be misused.

Please direct any questions or concerns to the Township Hall, Mon-Fri., 9 am - 12 pm., at (989) 275-8232.

South Branch Township Board

FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
August 22, 1985

Joseph P. White has been appointed to the Grayling City Council to replace David Sabin. Sabin resigned from the council to accept the position of City Attorney. White is taking over the unexpired term of Sabin which runs until November 1987. The city council members are now Mayor Sandy Thompson, Robert Golnick, William Dennis Sloan, Dorothy Latuszek and White.

The Crawford AuSable School Board cut .22 mills off the district's debt retirement millage at their last board meeting. The action by the board reduces the 1985-86 debt retirement levy from 2.22 to 2.0 mills. The debt retirement is paying for three district buildings, the Grayling High School, the Grayling Elementary School and the Frederic Elementary School.

The 1985 Crawford County Fair will feature a karate performance by Miss Michigan, a car show and skydivers, in addition to the traditional garden and livestock displays. The first annual Crawford County car show will be held Saturday and Sunday at the fairgrounds at Hanson Hills.

Twenty-nine ladies played golf on Monday, Aug. 19, during the Ladies Golf League. A prize was awarded to Shirley Daup for low putts of 14. Chip-ins went to

Jackie Parker, Vonnice Waskins and Shirley Daup. A low game of 53 went to Mavis Davison and Phyllis Scheer.

Crawford County children had the opportunity to sing and perform together for the second summer through the Crawford County Art Council's Summer Singers program. The five-week program was taught by elementary school music instructor Peggy Emerick. There were between 12 and 16 children, mainly pre-school and elementary, who met for one hour each Tuesday and Thursday morning.

Hair with a Flair, located on Forest Street in Frederic, is having back to school specials with a shampoo and a haircut for \$5 and perms for \$19.95.

46 Years Ago
August 23, 1962

Butch Borchers and Norbert Skotnicki camped out two nights on a canoe trip from Stephan's Bridge to Parmalee Bridge. They started out on Tuesday and were picked up on Thursday.

Dr. John Faching now has a new X-ray setup at his office in his home on Peninsular Avenue.

The Grayling Teen Center opened for the first time on Aug. 14. The center is now open Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights from 6 p.m. - midnight.

Two new teachers will join the staff of the Grayling Public Schools at their opening breakfast

on Sept. 4. Mrs. Monica Jodacy, of Rock, will teach kindergarten and Mrs. Kenneth Ashton, formerly of Onaway, will teach sixth grade.

Sixteen conservation officers, all in the district plus some additional officers, made a surprise patrol of the AuSable River east of Grayling on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets were issued to a number of canoe parties for littering and some for illegal fishing.

Two cars, stolen on August 15 in Crawford County, have been recovered by the Grayling City Police. Two juveniles, age 14, were apprehended by the Grayling City Police and they admitted to the thefts. One juvenile is from Grayling and the other is from Beaver Creek Township.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Porter, who are teaching in Frederic this year, have moved into Mrs. Lucille Whitcomb's home on County Rd. 612.

Glen's Market has on sale this week: Miracle Whip for 49¢, Wheaties and Cheerios four for \$1, Scott toilet tissue four rolls for 49¢, two loaves of Oven Fresh bread for 43¢ and Michigan peaches 4 lbs. for 29¢.

69 Years Ago
August 24, 1939

The final day of the summer band program found several Grayling merchants joining hands and giving the young musicians a picnic. Instead of the usual Friday morning rehearsal and evening concert, the band went to Otsego Lake for an all day picnic.

At the lake, the group spent the major part of their time swimming, with Leo Lovely supervising.

After playing six innings of errorless ball, the Grayling ball team suddenly went haywire and by the time the dust had cleared, Alpena emerged from the cloud on the long end of the 13-0 score.

92 Years Ago
August 24, 1916

Isaac Gendron, son of Mrs. Theodore Gendron of Frederic, secured a release home from the United States Cavalry and arrived Tuesday of last week. This is his first trip home in two years.

Robert Gillett of the Grayling Dowel and Tie Plug company is building a new home on Chestnut Street. It is to be a modern seven room home, complete with basement, steam heat, water and bath. The work is being done by Elmer Brott.

A petition was circulated in Grayling last week, addressed to the officials of the M & N.E. Railroad Company, requesting that the station on their line near the north end of Portage Lake be changed in name from Resort to McIntyre. This was signed by 75 percent of the citizens. This resort is destined to become famous because of the beauty of the lake at this spot.

Miss Leora Ellsworth is assisting in the Kerry & Hanson company office during the absence of Miss Minnie Nelson.

PUZZLES SUDOKU

RULES: Fill all empty squares so that the numbers 1 to 9 appear once in each row, column and 3x3 box.

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ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Raisin Banana Energy Bars

INGREDIENTS:

1 cup quick cooking oats
1 cup chopped nuts
1/3 cup butter
1 cup raisins

1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar

1/4 cup honey

1 cup dried banana chips

1 cup honey-coated graham cereal squares

DIRECTIONS: Heat oven to 350 degrees F. In an 8- or 9-inch square pan, combine oats and nuts. Bake 20 minutes or until oats are golden brown, stirring occasionally. Meanwhile, combine butter, brown sugar and honey in medium saucepan. Cook over medium heat until mixture boils. Measure raisins, banana chips and cereal squares into large bowl. Add toasted oats and nuts. Pour sugar mixture over all and toss to coat thoroughly. Generously butter same square pan. Press mixture firmly and evenly into bottom of pan. Cool. Cut into 2-inch square bars.

Makes 16 bars

FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

SEEK AND FIND

FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

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THE WORDS READ UP AND DOWN.

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CONNECT the dots

ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED!- The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today!



Buster

Buster is a handsome, 11 week old mixed breed puppy with a fantastic disposition. He is all wiggles and kisses! Buster also has two brothers looking for loving new homes.



Tango

Tango is a unique mixed breed dog with a beautiful brindled coat. He is playful, likes other dogs and is intelligent. Tango isn't too high strung and would be a fun dog to train.



Visit us at: www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org

Ausable Valley Animal Shelter is located at:

5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds

Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday thru Saturday, 10 to 12 pm on

Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org

HOROSCOPES

For the week of August 21, 2008



December 22-
January 19

Oh boy, Capricorn, what fun you've been missing. It's not like you to be so busy, and thankfully, that's about to change. A financial headache is relieved.



March 21-
April 19

Scores of applause are headed your way, Aries. Be gracious and be sure to return the favor later. A little forgiveness goes a long way at home.



June 22-
July 22

Matters are finally decided behind the scenes, inquisitive Cancer, and you receive the answers you've been seeking. Don't give up on a project at home. Success is within reach.



September 23-
October 22

Moderation is essential, Libra, so have fun this week but do so carefully. Travel delays cause turmoil. Stay calm and you will prevail.



January 20-
February 18

A romantic squabble plagues the first part of the week. Don't worry, Aquarius. You will find a compromise. Great change lies on the horizon. Accept it with ease.



April 20-
May 20

Fear the future? Not you, Taurus. You know where your place in life will always be and you are happy with it. Use your confidence to bring an ailing friend some peace.



July 23-
August 22

Lose sight of a goal? Never, Leo! An item you've had your eye on comes within striking distance, and you will sacrifice everything to get it. A financial matter is clarified.



October 23-
November 21

A health problem recurs. Get a jump on it, Scorpio, and the matter could be resolved once and for all. Tidiness at home slips and you must make haste to clear away the clutter.



February 19-
March 20

Bliss takes over at home and it shows. Find an activity that everyone can enjoy together. Places, and take advantage of the time to reconnect.



May 21-
June 21

Words of praise come from an unlikely source. Use them, dear Gemini, as motivation to get a project done. An organization calls on you for assistance.



August 23-
September 22

Pools of envy spring up at work, and tempt you to join in, Virgo. Resist the urge with all of your might. You have so much on your plate already to be thankful for.



November 22-
December 21

Just great, Sagittarius! A clash at work puts everyone on edge. Do what you can to break the tension. Don't play mediator, however. What happened is between your colleagues.

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week				Extended Forecast					
Date	H	L	Rain	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
8/12	75	47	0						
8/13	78	47	0						
8/14	76	50	0.99	High 83	High 78	High 79	High 78	High 70	High 73
8/15	73	50	0	Low 55	Low 59	Low 54	Low 51	Low 49	Low 50
8/16	77	49	0						
8/17	79	50	0	Mostly Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Isolated Thunder Storms	Partly Cloudy	Showers	Scattered Showers
8/18	84	63	0.31						

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Classifieds must be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate - \$8.00 per column inch

Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday

Classifieds by the word rate - \$6.00 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:

www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com

Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

Crawford County Avalanche

1. Real Estate

LAKE MARGRETHE GRAYLING Large waterfront home with many features, \$284,900. 989-344-1269 or 989-915-9467. (-31-7-14-21/1)

1. Real Estate

MOBILE HOME 2-3 bedroom for sale, owner finance on lot, 989-348-5278 or 586-405-0030. (3/20/08tf/1)

1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling, price reduced. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

1. Real Estate

FOR SALE BY OWNER Frederic. Check out this 4 bedroom, 2 bath manufactured home. Beautiful condition, large lot, borders state land, large pole barn. FHA, no money down available. \$89,000. Call 989-705-8600. (7/31/2008tf/1)

1. Real Estate

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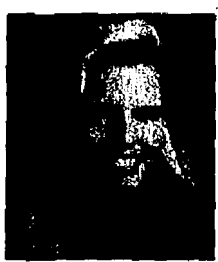
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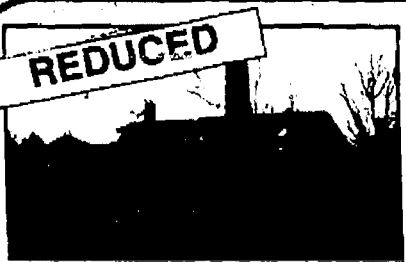
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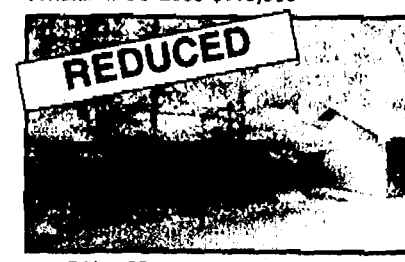
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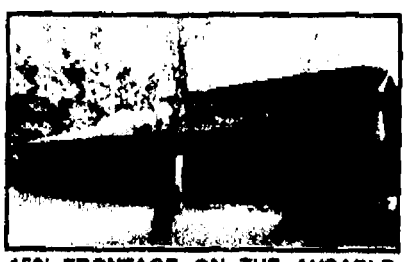
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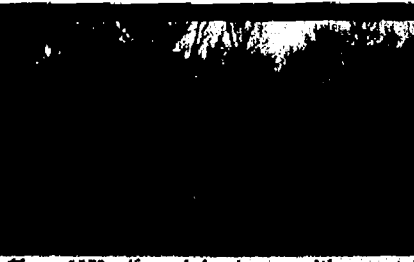
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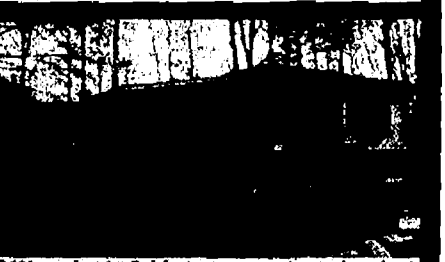
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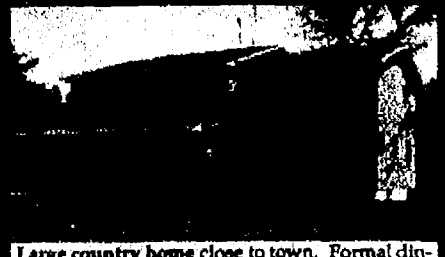
Very nice 2 bedroom home on large lot a few hundred feet from Lake Margrethe. Home features new roof, new septic, many other updates. Additionally, has a 2 bedroom guest home and large garage. A must see. #5979 \$144,900



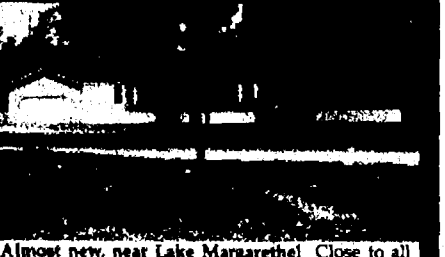
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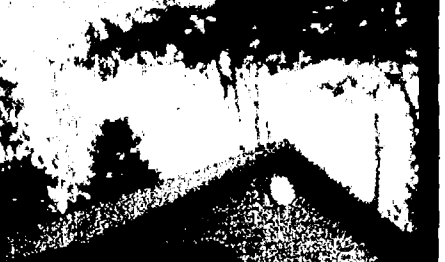
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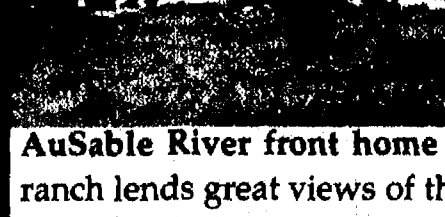
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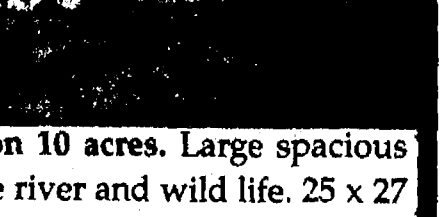
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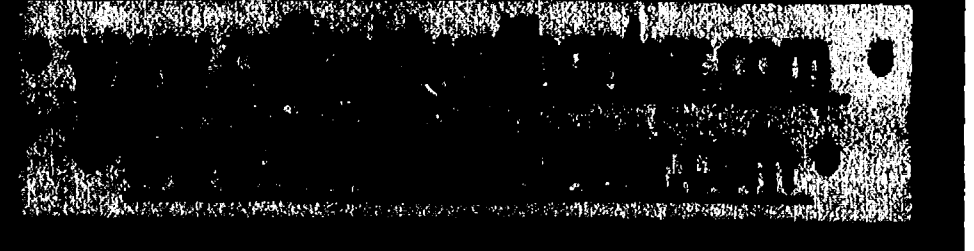


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FOR SALE Log splitter, 26 ton, 6 hp, very good condition, \$650. 348-8541. (-21/5)

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6. Wanted

WARREN FOREST PRODUCTS We buy standing timber and sell firewood by the loggers cord. Call 989-348-7133 during the day and leave a message. Evenings call 231-229-4845, ask for Chan. (LR8/28/08/6)

WANTED-SCRAP VEHICLES SMR is paying up to \$1,000 delivered. Also pick up available. Call for details 9-5. 888-471-3818. (4/3/08tf/6)

WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE Paying cash for cars and trucks. Quick pick up. 989-786-3932. (LR9/25/08/6)

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BUYING JUNK VEHICLES Price varies with size but will pay the most. Call Don at 231-587-0856 or 888-468-7313. (10/11/07tf/6)

5. For Sale

FIREWOOD Chris Wood is taking orders for this firewood season. Oak and maple ready to burn. Boiler sizes available \$50.00 per face cord. Delivery Negotiable. **348-1870 619-0912**

6. Wanted

WANTED Used outdoor wood boiler. Call 989-948-1989. (-14-21/6)

WANTED Old mini bikes, any condition, running or not, have cash waiting. Call now! 239-851-5162. (-21/6)

7. Miscellaneous

LOST FEMALE CAT Gray and orange tabby, 3 years old, 13 lbs. South Portage near Lake Margrethe. 248-330-7188. Reward. (-14-21/7)

8. Announcements

ALBRECHT ESTATE AUCTION August 22, 4 p.m., Caldwell Rd., Mio. Antique safe; furniture; kitchenware; pottery; collectibles; toys; quilting fabrics; garage and outside; tools; farm and meat processing related; scrap metal; 1995 Pontiac Bonneville; 1991 Ford pickup and more! View online or call. Lets Talk Auction! 989-848-5151. www.LetsTalkAuction.com. (-21/8)

ATTENTION CRAWFORD COUNTY Ladies' pool league annual meeting, August 25, 7 p.m. at Frederic Inn. (-7-14-28/8)

WHAT WAS The name of the bar before it became Spike's? Get your ticket for the September 6 Cemetery Walk and get the answer. (-21/8)

ESTATE AND MOVING AUCTION August 23, 10 a.m., Mio. Furniture; kitchenware; crocks; cameras; collectibles; books; shop tools; garage and outside; guns; coins and more! View online or call. Lets Talk Auction! 989-848-5151. www.LetsTalkAuction.com. (-21/8)

MIP and anger management programs. GRACE Center, Grayling. 989-348-2544. (10/11/07tf/8)

10. Garage Sale

GPA's Junque in the trunk is coming! Saturday, August 30, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Grayling Mini-Mall. Call Pat Schmid 348-2639. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE August 22 and 23, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Furniture, self-cleaning stove, kitchen items, clothing, misc. 305 Lillian Street. (-21/10)

BESIDE MY GARAGE SALE I now have fresh vegetables for sale. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., August and September. 6937 Hartwick Pine Rd. (-21-28/10)

6. Wanted

BUYING GOLD Jewelry, Silver and Coins Immediate Payment Gold Rush Jewelers 828 W. Houghton Lake Drive Prudenville (989)366-7939

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10. Garage Sale

SUPER SALE At Fabrics & More. 30 to 60 percent off fabrics and more. Located next to Rochettes. 344-0986. (-21-28/10)

3 FAMILY BARN SALE May Lake Rd., Frederic. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 21, 22 and 23, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (-21/10)

MOVING SALE Furniture, clothes, generator, chain saw, etc. Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 2747 Peters Rd. (-21/10)

HUGE GARAGE SALE Rain or shine. Mid-century and older collectibles. Old Avon, Jim Beam, dolls and figurines, old jewelry, lamps, bedding, pictures, furniture. You name it we probably have it! Priced to sell. Friday, August 22, to August 24, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Three miles north of high school. Old 27 next to Trails Campground. (-21/10)

YARD SALE August 22 and 23, 506 Date, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Baby items, plants, golf clubs, tables, too much to mention. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. 80 Isenhauer Road, second to last house on left. Dishes, canning jars, household decor, Partylite, electronics, tools, toys, exercise equipment, furniture, beds, dressers, clothing for women and men, boys 3T - 4T and 14-16 up. We've also got lots of brand new items for the whole family. Don't miss out, all must go. (-21/10)

MOVING SALE Everything must go. Household, antiques and sporting goods. Please call 350-5606 for private showing. (-21-28-4/10)

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HUGE SALE Clothes, tools, toys, household, Coke collection and antiques. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Open every week. Co. Rd. 612 two blocks west of Old 27, Frederic. (-14-21/10)

7. Miscellaneous



10. Garage Sale

THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE August 21, 22, 23 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at 1001 Ottawa Street. Gas stove, dresser, couch, chair, computer desk, TVs, end tables, lamps, ringer washers, kitchenware, microwaves, decorations, bus seats, bikes, bed frames, books, weight lifting equipment and machine, tables, clothes for men, women (tall and petite), teenage girl's brand name clothes, shoes, running shorts, toys, roll of laminate floor padding, many collectibles and much more. (-21/10)

STORAGE UNIT SALE Cornells Storage, E-72. Moving out of state, everything must go! Furniture, household, large lady clothing, beds, dresser and wicker. August 21 and 22, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Great prices! (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Name brand kids and adult clothing, household decor, VHS tapes and much more. 1107 Ogemaw St. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE 607 Park. Thursday, August 21, Friday, August 22, and Saturday, August 23, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Curtains, dishes, etc. Something for everyone. Bargain prices. (-21/10)

ESTATE SALE August 23 and 24 and August 30 and 31. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Everything goes! Big screen TV, furniture, washer, dryer, log beds, log chest, log table set, snowblower, lawn mower. 1747 Ginger Quill, M-72 east to Wakeley Bridge, make a left, 1/3 mile to Ginger Quill, second house on right. (-21-28/10)

5 FAMILY GARAGE SALE 23rd and 24th, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. KitchenAid bakeware, microwave, couch, chair, too much to list! 6343 Kensington Place, just behind Westside Diner. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Thursday - Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. North Down River Road, across from cemetery. Clothes - most sizes, men's bike, books, household items. Many families combined. (-21/10)

SANDY STOTT Trunk Junk Sale. August 30th, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 9439 E. North Down River, Kelloggs Bridge. Call for space information, 348-7844. (-21-28/10)

7. Miscellaneous

MISSING CAT
REWARD
8/11/08 from Manistee River Rd. area, orange and white, neutered, not de-clawed, long full tail, needs medication.
If you have seen him or have him, PLEASE CALL, he is a beloved family member.
734-255-1923 or 989-344-9070

9. Personals

Beautiful Then,
Beautiful Now,
Beautiful Forever.

Happy 90th Birthday,
Mom!

August 21, 2008

Paula Jackson May you live to be 120!

9. Personals

10. Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Combining households, personal household items sold from my own storage unit located at Goodales Mini-Storage, off Industrial Drive off M-72 east, building AA unit 2. (-21/10)

GARAGE SALE Saturday only, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Women's plus size clothes (16-18), kitchen lights and faucets, roofing nails, toys and more. Redhead lane off of North Down River Rd. (-21/10)

KIDS CLEANED THEIR ROOMS And we have decluttered garage sale. 746 Robinhood Lane, Saturday, August 23rd, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (-21/10)

11. Automotive

AUTO GLASS repair and replacement now available at JJ's Auto Glass. 348-7710. (9/29/05tf/11)

10. Garage Sale

11. Automotive

FOR SALE 1965 Ford Mustang, 2 dr coupe, 3sp, new brakes, rebuilt 302 with Edelbrock manifold and Cobra heads, runs great, some frame rust. Paid \$3500, have added some extras, make offer. 989-348-2495. (-4/24/08tf/11)

HUSKY FLOOR LINERS Front and rear fit 1999-2006 GM ext. cab, new \$120, sell for \$60. Front liners, only for 1995-2004 Toyota Tacoma, \$25. Both sets are black and in excellent condition. 989-348-2495. (7/10/08tf/11)

BUICK LACROSS CXL 2005 51K, very good shape, \$12,500, 989-821-1037. (-14-21/11)

2002 Bright red Chevy Silverado pickup 4wd Z71, regular cab sportside. 55,200 miles, loaded. \$9,900. 989-925-2013. (21/11)

CAR DETAILING Let JJ's Motor Mall make your vehicle sparkle inside & out! 348-7710. (5/31/07tf/11)

10. Garage Sale

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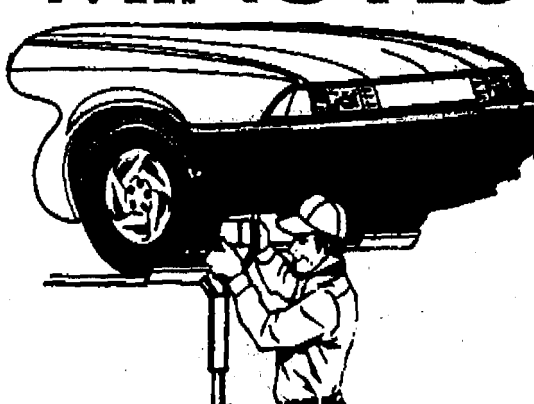
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